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"If I have eaten my morsel alone"— Job :: 17
The patriarch spoke in scorn;
What would he think of the Church,
Were he shown Heathendom, huge, forlorn,
Godless, Christless, with soul unfed,
While the Church's ailment is fullness of bread,
Eating her morsel alone?

"I am debtor alike to the Jew and the Greek,"
The mighty apostle cried,
Traversing continents, souls to seek,
For the love of the Crucified.
Centuries, centuries have sped;
Millions are perishing; we have bread;
But we eat our morsel alone.

"Ever of them who have largest dower Shall Heaven require the more; Ours is affluence, knowledge, power, Ocean from shore to shore; And East and West in our ears have said, 'Give us, give us your living Bread;'

Yet we eat our morsel alone.

"Freely, as ye have received, so give,"
He bade, Who hath given us all;
How shall the soul in us longer live,
Deaf to their starving call,
For whom the Blood of the Lord was shed,
And His Body broken to give them Bread,
If we eat our morsel alone?

-Dr. Alexander, Primate of Ire

When, passing southward, I may page the lin Between the Arctic and Atlantic oceans, I may not tell by any tests of mine, By any startling signs or strange commoti

Across my track.

And e'en the ice-bergs melt their hardene And sailors linger, basking in the sun, I know I must have made the change of pla Some distance back.

When answering timidly the Master's call, I passed the bourne of life in coming to When, in my love for Him, I gave up all, The very moment when I thought I knew Him

I cannot tell.

But as unceasingly I feel His love,
As this cold heart is melted to o'erflowing as now, so clear, the light shines from about wonder at the change, but presson, knowing that all is well.

The strings of camels come in single
file.
Bearing their burdens o'er the deser
Swiftky and; boats go plying on the Mile
The needs of men are met on every
hand,
But still I wait

But still I wait
The messenger of God, he cometh late.

I see a cloud of dust rise in the plan.
The measured tread of troops falls or
my ear.
The soldier comes, the empire to maintain
Bringing the pomp of war, the reign

But still fearit

The messenger of peace, he cometh late.

They set me looking o'er the desert

Where broods the darkness as the deepest night.

From many a mosque there comes the call

to prayer:
I hear no voice that calls on Christ
for light.

But still I wait

The messenger of Christ, he cometh late

### For a Boy

God who created me Nimble and light of limb, To run, to ride, to swim; Not when the sense is dim, But now from the heart of joy, I would remember Him; Take the thanks of a boy.

Jesus, King and Lord, Whose are my foes to fight, Gird me with Thy sword, Swift and sharp and bright. Thee would I serve if I might; And conquer if I can, From day-dawn till night, Take the strength of a man.

Spirit of Love and Truth,
Breathing in grosser clay,
The light and flame of youth,
Delight of men in the fray,
Wisdom in strength's decay;
From pain, strife, wrong, to be free,
This best gift I pray,
Take my spirit to Thee.

-Henry Charles Beeching

#### MY PRAYER

Lord of my life, henceforth I bear The name of Christian everywhere; And all observing eyes shall see Such Christ as is revealed in me. In trade, or play, my every word Will shame or glorify my Lord: Each act, each generosity, Will point to Thee unwittingly. Therefore, O Christ, my spirit claim, And make me worthy of Thy name.

-Dr. Robert Freeman.

## "MY HOME IS GOD."

"At that day ye shall KNOW that I am in My Father, and ye in Me, and I in you."-John xiv. 20.

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#### Hebrews xii. 22.

MY Home is God Himself;" Christ brought me there, I laid me down within His mighty arms; He took me up, and safe from all alarms, He bore me "where no foot but His hath trod," Within the holiest at Home with God. And bade me dwell in Him, rejoicing there. O Holy Place! O Home Divinely fair! And I, God's little one, abiding there.

#### 70hn xiv. 6.

'My Home is God Himself;" it was not so! A long, long road I travelled night and day. And sought to find within myself some way, Aught I could do, or feel to bring me near; Self effort failed, and I was filled with fear. And then I found Christ was the Only Way That I must come to Him and in Him stay, And God had told me so.

#### 1 Peter iii. 18.

'My Home is God Himself;" but oh the cost That Christ hath paid to bring my spirit there: His own dear life and all He held most fair, He laid it down for me that I might come, , And dwell for evermore with Him at Home-At Home in God, and safe none otherwhere! O happy Place! O Home Divinely fair! You too may come and dwell, rejoicing there. You ask what I have paid? 'Twas nought but this, I lost my loathsome life and took up His; And now God's free, FREE grace is all my boast, Not mine, but His the cost

Romans vii. 24, and viii. 1.

My Home is God Himself;" erewhiles I dwelt
Within myself, a straitened drear abode,
And found no liberty to walk God's road,
Bound down by what I saw, or thought, or felt.
God broke me down, and left a ruined place,
But ere I sought the fulness of His grace,
I tried with tears to build it up again;
I failed, and then God's message came so plain—
"Come forth from all thou art, and dwell in Me,
Seek not what thou canst do, or feel, or be,
Lay down thy life, take Me instead of thee."
And then I found God was my place to dwell,
My Home was God.

#### Colossians iii. 3 and 4.

How far to travel there? 'Tis just this far:

Let God convince thee fully what thou art,
Till thou dost cleave to Christ in self despair,
That He may bear thee to thy Father's heart,
And thou must lose thyself in coming there.

Made one with Him in His most precious death,
Loosed by His blood, and quickened by His breath,
I stand in Him before the Father's throne,
Accepted in the well-Beloved Son,
And so from self,—from self to Christ alone;
'Tis just so far.

#### Psalm xci.

And now "my Home is God," and sheltered there,

God meets the trials of my earthly life,

God compasses me round from storm and strife,

God takes the burden of my daily care.

O wondrous Place! O Home Divinely fair!

And I, God's little one, safe hidden there.

Lord, as I dwell in Thee and Thou in me,

So make me dead to everything but Thee;

That as I rest within my Home most fair,

My soul may evermore and only see

My God in everything and everywhere;

My Home is God.

Ah Aryan land, blest, blest is she!

A magic might is in her name;
Unrivalled stands her ancient fame;
And we, her sons, thrice blessed are we!

Hail, happy omens! presaging

The goal of all my country's wees,—
Pledge that from out her travail-throes
A new and glorious birth shall spring.

Yea, at the end of pregnant strife, Enthroned as guru of the earth, This land of Hind shall teach the worth Of Christian faith and Christian life.

When shall these longings be sufficed
That stir my spirit night and day?
When shall I see my country lay
Her homage at the feet of Christ?—

Yea, how behold that blissful day
When all her prophets' mystic lore
And all her ancient wisdom's store
Shall own His consummating sway?

Now soul and body, mind and will, Honour and name, my wealth, my all, Brethren and kindred, great and small, I yield, Thy purpose to fulfil.

Of all I have, oh Saviour sweet,—
All gifts, all skill, all thoughts of mine,—
A, living garland I entwine,
And offer at Thy lotus feet.

# THE PRESENCE OF JESUS By Marianne Farningham

He does not seem to answer All my prayers,

Nor always lift the burden Of my cares;

And He has called me often Into night, And in the time of battle

Made me fight.

Yet if I know Him near me,
All is well;
The comfort of the service of the service

The comfort of His presence, Who can tell?

What if I miss my comrades
On the way?
He never will forsake me

All the day;
And though I find the pathway
Steep and long.

And weary of the journey, He is strong.

So strong that I can rest me In His love,

And see as in a forecast Heaven above.

Whatever life may bring me, I am sure, The comfort of His presence

Will endure;

There may be gloomy valleys, Wind-swept heights, Weird noises in the shadows,

Broken lights; But I will fear no evil,

Christ will be
A Guide, a Friend, a Saviour—
All to me.

Press Record, Canada Sept 1942 For the Christian Observer. Mand 8.31

#### CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH.

(Written for the present Foreign Mission crisis by Mary Hoge Wardlaw).

"It was no savage foe
Who dealt this cruel blow,
Threatening My purposes with direful end.
An adversary's scorn
And malice can be borne,

But it was thou, My own, My trusted friend."
(Psalm 55:12 and 41:9).

"Lord, from what woeful wars
Came these most grievous scars,
Marring Thy hands, Thy blessed, healing hands?"

Marring Thy hands, Thy blessed, healing hands?"

"These wounds I bore away,
Friend, from thy house, the day

Thou didst—indifferent—slight My last commands. (Zechariah 13:16).

"Where is My glorious Church From wrinkles free, no smirch Blotting the bridal beauty of her face? Her head in shame is bowed; A dark and deadly cloud

Bedims her radiance, veils her royal grace." (Ephesians 5:27).

Ah, Christ, Thy Church repents
Her base indifference.
She cannot thus her loving Lord betray.
She heeds the call, "Awake!
Dust from thy garments shake;
Self's mighty shackles break;

Thy God's salvation show the world today."

(Isaiah 52:1, 2, 10).

Miami, Fla.

## Hymn for Those in Service

Eternal Father, strong to save, Whose arm doth bind the restless wave. Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep Its own appointed limits keep; O hear us when we cry to thee For those in peril on the sea.

Creator, who dost from above Behold thy sons with eyes of love, Giving them courage to endure, And hearts whose aims are high and pure; O stretch thou forth thy mighty hand O'er those in peril on the land.

Lord, guide and guard the men who fly Through the great reaches of the sky; Aloft in solitudes of space, Sustain them with thy saving grace; O hearken to our fervent prayer For those in peril in the air.

O God of light and love and power, Be with our men in danger's hour; In perils oft, against the foe, Companion them where'er they go; And may they ever raise to thee Glad hymns from air and land and sea. But Thee O poet's Poet,
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## I Sought The Lord

I sought the Lord, and afterward He moved my soul to seek him, see It was not I that found, O savior No, I was found of Thee.

Thou didst reach forth Thy hand I walked and sank not on the sto Twas not so much that I on Thee As Thou, dear Lord, on me.

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There is no broken heart like hear For loved one's sin;
The fall of our ideal ever wakes
The death within.

Andthis was thine, is Thine, C Father In triple power,

Thy boundless love with vision pie Beheld that hour. Forbid that I should add to Thy d

One drop of woe,
But grant me for myself to gather
Its overflow.

Thy tears in dark Cethsemane o'er
Their limits' brim,
Help me to lift those fallen drop
And live for him.

Brave words to speak, and braver still to live:
A flag to guide the battle of each day.
A motto that will peace and courage give.

"If it is right, there is no other way!"

Wise words, that clear the tungles from the brain;

Pleasure may whisper, doubt may urge delay,

And self may argue, but it speaks in vain.

This is the veice of God, the call of truth:

Happy the man who heard it to obey,

And fellows upward, enward, from his youth.

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What was their tale of some Looking, I think, upon One with a fate, and sworn One who was fettered

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Ah what a hope! and when a Stops the heart beati

Faints till she finds

Ah but not yet he took me from my prison,
Left me a little while, nor left for
Bade as one buried, bade as one arisen
Suffer with men and like a man be st
There is no grief of man can hold se

There is no grief of man can hold so as this of Thine;
Cur human sorrows cannot nearly to The pain divine.

They suffer most that most have power And Thine, we know, Is measureless by aught in heaven a Or earth below.

There is no bleeding like the spirithe pierced soul;

There are no tear-drops like the dr From hearts not whole. My Saviors Stands

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tool, all that is at all, Laste ever, fast recall, Eath changes, but they boil and find share ; What entered ente the That was in , and that he: denis wheel runs took or stope: Patter aday Endre the forced thee mid this dance of plastic circumstance, You's Present, than, Parsout, woulder fain arrest: leachinery just ment do give to book , the bent, de the . tem the fant, sofficients expensed. What though the landing growns has ren to laughing loves around they trace me larger france and freeze? What though about they tim. Scale Prings en order gram. for and, in greater mond, about the sterner strea?

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## Only Through Me!

Only through Me!.. The clear, high call comes pealing

Above the thunders of the battleplain; -

Only through Me can Life's red wounds find healing;

Only through Me shall earth have peace again.

Only through Me! Love's might, all might transcending,

Alone can draw the poison fangs of hate.

Yours the beginning. Mine a nobler ending -

Peace upon earth, and man regenerate

Only through Me can come the great awakening!

Wrong cannot right the wrongs that Wrong hath done;

Only through Me, all other gods forsaking.

Can ye attain the heights that must be won.

Can we not rise to such height of glory?

Shall this vast sorrow spend itself in vain?

Shall future ages tell the woeful story -

Christ by his own was crucified again?

John Oxenham.

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Lord what a change within us one short hour spent in thy presence will prevail to make? What heavy burdens from our bosoms

take, what parched grounds refresh as with a shower!

We kneel and all around us seems to lower; we rise and all, the distant and the near, stands forth in sunny outline brave and clear; we kneel how weak, we rise how full

of power.

Why therefore should we do ourselves this wrong, or others that we are not always strong. That we are ever overborne with care:

That we should ever weak or heartless be, anxious or troubled, when with us is prayer, and joy and strength and courage are with Thee.

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"Till from the straw the flail the corn doth beat, Until the chaff be purged from the wheat, Yea, till the mill the grain in pieces tear, The richness of the flour will scarce appear. So, till men's persons great affliction touch, If worth be found, their worth is not so much, Because like wheat in straw, they have not yet That value which in threshing they may get. For till the bruising flails of God's corrections Have threshed out of us our vain affections: Till those corruptions which do misbecome us Are by Thy sacred Spirit winnowed from us; Until from us the straw of worldly treasures, Till all the dusty chaff of empty pleasures, Yea, till His flail upon us He doth lay, To thresh the husk of this our flesh away; And leave the soul uncovered; nay, yet more, Till God shall make our very spirit poor, We shall not up to highest wealth aspire: But then we shall; and that is my desire."

#### And so also Michael Angelo:

"As when, O Lady mine, with chiselled touch
The stone unhewn and cold,
Becomes the living mould.
The more the marble wastes, the more the statue grows;

So if the working of my soul be such That good is but evolved by Time's dread blows,

The vile shell day by day
Falls like superfluous flesh away.

Oh! Take whatever bonds my spirit knows:

And Reason, Virtue, Power, within me lay."

#### A Memorial of a True Life

Several days later Hugh was at Kutztown, Pennsylvania, at the school located there. A lecture in the evening obliged him to have his meeting at seven in the morning. During the day he had some time for quiet meditation, and the life that had been steadily deepening found expression in this deed of consecration, written on the back of the White Cross pledge already referred to, found after his death.

"Kutztown, Pa., Nov. 16, '95.

"'Just as I am,—Thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea Thine alone
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.'

"This 16th day of November, 1895, I, Hugh McA. Beaver, do of my own free will, give myself, all that I am and have, entirely, unreservedly and unqualifiedly to Him, whom having not seen I love, on whom, though now I see Him not, I believe. Bought with a price, I give myself to Him who at the cost of His own blood purchased me. Now committing myself to Him who is able to guard me from stumbling and to set me before the presence of His glory without blemish in exceeding joy, I trust myself to Him, for all things, to be used as He shall see fit where He shall see fit. Sealed by the Holy Spirit, filled with the peace of God that passeth understanding, to Him be all glory, world without end. Amen.
"Hugh McA. Beaver.

"Jan. 19, '96, Phil. 4:19."

We all keep quiet, but there is great anxiety in our hearts-not for our own lives so much as for the innocent, helpless people whom we love so dearly "Blindfolded and alone we stand

With unknown thresholds on each hand,
The darkness deepens as we grope,
Afraid to fear, afraid to hope;
Yet this one thing we learn to knowEach day more surely as we go,

That doors are open, ways are made, Burdens lifted or are laid, By some great law unseen and still, Unfathomed purpose to fulfil."

Spring has come, and the sky is blue. The violets are blooming, sweet and fragrant under the South Wall, and my bulbs tucked away last November are full of buds. We trust God, and go on with our work. China is worth all we

can do for her."

The statement is from the pen of M. Andre Tardieu, one time High Commissioner of France to the United States, and French Plenipotentiary at the Peace Conference:

This war, conducted by Germany with a systematic cruelty, with the intention openly declared by the head of her military staff in the memorandum of February. 1918, of exterminating the French race and of annihilating French industry, has cost France one million four hundred thousand dead, and eighty hundred thousand maimed men, three million wounded, two hundred billion francs, and increased our budget for 1914 to 1920 from four to twenty-one millions, our debt from thirty-five to two hundred and thirty billions; destroyed six hundred thousand houses, three million hectares (about seven and one-half million acres) of cultivated land, five thousand kilometers (about three thousand miles) of railroads, thirty-nine thousand kilometers (about twenty-four thousand miles) road, eleven thousand five hundred factories that produced ninety-four per cent of our linen thread, eighty-three per cent of our cast iron, seventy per cent of our sugar, sixty per cent of our electrical energy: mines that represented fifty-five per cent of our coal and ninety per cent of our ore. These figures reveal the harm voluntarily done to France by Germany.

None other Lamb, none other Har None other Hope in beaven or None other Hiding place from g None beside Thos!

My faith burns low, my hope bu Only my heart's desire orles By the deep thunder of its wan Ories out to Thee!

Lord, Thou art Life, though I Love's Fire Thou art, however Nor home, but Thee. The three ghosts on the lonesome road
Spoke each to one another
Whence came that stain about your mouth
No lifted hand may cover?"
"From eating of forbidden fruit.

Brother, my brother."

The three ghosts on the sunless road
Spoke each to one another
"Whence came that red burn on your foot
No dust or ash may cover?"
"I stamped a neighbor's hearth flame out,

Brother, my brother."

The three ghosts on the windless road

Spoke each to one another
"Whence came that blood upon your hand

No other hand may cover?"
"From breaking of a woman's heart,

Brother, my brother."

"Yet on the earth clean men we walked Glutton and thief and lover; White flesh and fair it hid our stains That no man might discover"

Naked the soul goes up to God Brother, my brother. We gaze out wistfully through the windows of our isolation, we call and signal to each other across the severing spaces, but we cannot penetrate the barriers of personality to the real self who dwells captive there. Each of us must live his truest life in solitude, aloof and apart from his kind.

"The great mortal combat between human life
And each human soul must be single. The strife
None can share,—though by all its results may be known:
When the soul arms for battle she goes forth alone."
—LYTTON.

"As once toward heaven my face was set, I came unto a way where two ways met; One led to Paradise and one away. And fearful of myself I should stray, I paused that I might know Which was the way wherein I ought to go. The first was one my weary eyes to please, Winding along through pleasant fields of ease, Beneath the shadows of fair branching trees. "This path of calm and solitude Surely must lead to heaven," I cried In joyous mood; "Yon rugged one, so rough for weary feet, The footpath of the world's too busy street, Can never be the narrow way of life'. But at that moment I thereon espied A footprint bearing trace of having bled, And knew it for the Christ's, so bowed my head And followed where He led."

In a county town in Scotland some years ago a large congregation came together in the open air one week day afternoon to hear a celebrated preacher. People came from the country side, and amongst them was a county magistrate on horseback. All went well for a little time, when the peace of the meeting was threatened by the antics of a drunken man. This was borne with for some time: at last the magistrate beckoned to the keeper of the little county jail to take the fellow and lock him up. The man looked serious and replied, "I canna do that before he is tried"

"Oh, just take him and lock the door and unlock it at the same instant; we can at least secure peace for the rest of

the service."

So "drunken Davie," as he was called, was marched off to prison.

The congregation dispersed at length, and in the evening the jailer made no secret of what he had done. The boys soon gathered round the grated window and hailed the prisoner:

"Come oot, come oot, Davie, ye're no

lockit up; come oot."

"I ken the soun' o' some o'ye, and when I am at liberty ye shall suffer for these jeers, ye rascals."

Still they repeated the fact "Ye're no lockit up." At length all was quiet, and poor Davie slept on the stone floor of his prison. In the morning he awoke sober and sad. The prison door fronted the east, and a streak of light between the door and the door stall revealed the fact that no bar kept the prisoner in. Instantly his hand was on the door—he opened it and was at large.

"Upon the white sea sand There sat a pilgrim band. Telling the losses that their lives l While evening waned away From breezy cliff and bay. And the strong tides went out with w One spoke with quivering lip Of a fair freighted ship With all his household, to the deep But one had wilder woe For a fair face, long ago Lost in the darker depths of a great There were some who mourned their With a most loving ruth For the brave hopes and memories eve And one upon the West Turned an eye that would not rest For far-off hills whereon its joy ha Some talked of vanished gold,

Some of proud honors told. Some spake of friends who were their And one of a green grave Beside a foreign wave. That made him sit so lonely on the But when their tales were done, There spake among them one, A stranger, seeming from all sorrow 'Sad losses ye have met, But mine is heavier yet, For the believing heart has gone f "Then alas!" those pilgrims sa " For the living and the dead, For life's deep shadows and the her For the wrecks of land and sea But, however it came to thee, Thine, brother, is life's last and For the believing heart has go

Ah! the believing heart has go

"The heart has reasons which the reason does not know. It is the heart that feels God, not the reason. There are truths that are felt, and there are truths that are proved, for we know truth not only by reason but by the intuitive conviction which may be called the heart. The primary truths are not demonstrable, and yet our knowledge of them is none the less certain. Principles are felt; prepositions are proved. 'Truths may be above reason and yet not be contrary to reason." (Pascal, "Thoughts")

"If e'er when faith had fallen asleep I heard a voice, 'Believe no more,' And heard an ever-breaking shore That tumbled in the godless deep.

"A warmth within the breast would melt The freezing reason's colder part And like a man in wrath, the heart Stood up and answered, 'I have felt.'"

(Tennyson "In Memoriam")

"I do not attend church any more. I formerly did, but stopped because I saw too much hypocrisy and I refused to be a hypocrite myself, so I think you can trust my word."

"You do not regard yourself as justified in refusing to do the good which your knowledge of medicine enables you to do because yours, of all professions, perhaps because of its very nobility, has so many charlatans and quacks in it. You would not think of pleading this hypocrisy as a reason why you should refuse to be a doctor and as a doctor to go good in the world and alleviate human suffering."

# THE DEMONSTRATION OF THE SPIRIT.

"Not by strength of argument, or by a particular disquisition of each doctrine, and convincement of my understanding thereby, I came to receive and bear witness of the truth; but by being secretly reached by this life. For when I came into the silent assemblies of God's people, I felt a secret power amongst them which touched my heart; and as I gave way unto it, I found the evil weakening in me, and the good raised up; and so I became thus knit and united unto them, hungering more and more after the increase of this power and life, whereby I might find myself perfectly redeemed."

-ROBERT BARCLAY.



"No form of intellectual action, however comprehensive, however acute, and however brilliant, will satisfy the heart. So long as it is mere intellect, it will either jar with the heart or kill it outright. 'The head scoffs and the heart sighs,' said Middleton. The only thing to prevent this besetting sin of the head, is to keep it habitually in an atmosphere of love and reverence."

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#### The Prayer of Self.

BY PRISCILLA LEONARD.

One knelt within a world of care
And sin, and lifted up his prayer:
"I ask Thee, Lord, for health and power
To meet the duties of each hour;
For peace from care, and daily food,
For life prolonged and filled with good;
I praise Thee for Thy gifts received,
For sins forgiven and pains relieved,
For near and dear ones spared and blessed,
For prospered toil, and promised rest;
This prayer I make in His great name
Who for my soul's salvation came."

But as he prayed, lo! at his side
Stood the thorn-crowned Christ, and sighed
"O blind disciple,—came I then
To bless the selfishness of men?
Thou askest health, amidst the cry
Of human strain and agony;
Thou askest peace, while all around
Trouble bows thousands to the ground;
Thou askest life for thine and thee,
While others die; thou thankest Me
For gifts, for pardon, and success,
For thine own narrow happiness.

"Nay; rather bow thy head and pray
That while thy brother starves to-day
Thou mayest not eat thy bread at ease;
Pray that no health or wealth or peace
May lull thy soul while the world lies
Suffering, and claims thy sacrifice;
Praise not, while others weep, that thou
Hast never groaned with anguished brow;
Praise not, thy sins have pardon found,
While others sink, in darkness drowned.
Canst thou give thanks, while others sigh,
Outcast and lost, curse God and die?

"Not in My name thy prayer was made,
Not for My sake thy praises paid.
My gift is sacrifice; My blood
Was shed for human brotherhood,
And till thy brother's woe is thine
Thy heart-beat knows no throb of mine.
Come, leave thy selfish hopes, and see
Thy birthright of humanity!
Shun sorrow not; be brave to bear
The world's dark weight of sin and care;
Spend and be spent, yearn, suffer, give,
And in thy brethren learn to live."

### A Story by General Miles

The following, told by a writer in the Denver Post, will be of interest: "In asking General Miles to tell me stories of individual bravery that had come under his notice in battle, he said he believed the most 'abandoned courage' he ever saw was displayed by a The regiment was young colonel. marching into battle, the band was playing, and the step was quick and courageous. Shells began bursting among the men, and four or five would drop at a time. Still they marched quickly; but the shells fell thicker and the men began to move more slowly. Faster and faster the fire burst on them, and the soldiers halted. Suddenly there dashed out of the smoke the young colonel, and riding in front he swung his sword, and yelled, 'Move up; what's the matter with you? Do you want to live forever?"

<sup>&</sup>quot;Soul, rule thyself. On passion, deed, desire, Lay thou the laws of thy deliberate will. Stand at thy chosen post, faith's sentinel; Learn to endure. Thine the reward Of those who make living light their lord, Clothed with celestial steel, these walk secure, Masters, not slaves." Symonus.

"The Vine from every 1 Is it the poorer for the The drunkard and the wa Are they the richer for Measure thy life by los Not by the wine drunk, For love's strength sta And whose suffers most God said to Man and And by thy travail. thou Not, by thy ease or ple Or glory of this life 1 How poor were earth if If all its struggling s Were awept away, and all If this were such a hea As some have dreamed or Nay, we were fashioned r In this world, howsoeve And what we win and hol

## HE TOUCHED HER HANDS

My hands were filled with many things,
Which I did precious hold,
As any treasure of a king's,
Silver, or gems, or gold.
The Master came, and touched my hands
The scars were in His own.

And at His feet my treasures sweet,

Fell shattered one by one;

"I must have empty hands," said He,

"Wherewith to work My works through thee.

My hands were stained with marks of toil, Defiled with dust of earth, And I my work did oft'times soil,

And render little worth-

The Master came, and touched my hands,

And crimson were His own. And when amazed, on mine I gazed

Lo, every stain was gone.

"I must have cleansed hands," said He,

"Wherewith to work My works through thee."

The Meeting Place the daylight has faded over the sea, the shadows are pathering treatily, the waters are morning dreamily, Und there is no haven in sight for me; Only a black and anong haven; Only a rolling, morning bee; and a small wask bank by the tempor driven Then and thather helplessly. for I am alone on the morning sea; alon alon on the side and see! Order Tool stands by en the dark by how, that this believes is worke to bear than to larger Of the dreamy waters that will mad slay! Purd am alone - ag armer than alone, You Got Dande by and has nothing to day! and death is crafting over to me Croping across to delan black era, -Craping ent to tool cat me! and he will sink to small and trank, and I shall float on in the during dark Dead dead on the wife and sea; a dead fac up to the cruel sky, Dead you that had wearers done for the light, a deal hand floating higheredy,

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Her there's to know and undustand. a large a liberal discontent there are the goods in lifes with hand, the things that an man excellent an aroson It is one of the saddest, if not one of the most comforting, things in life, that when people have caught a glimpse of the best, the second-best can never again content them. If they have once -- be it only for a moment -- watn the best robe and sat down to the feast, they will never more really enjoy the husks of the far country; even though the citizens of that country prepare the same with their most delicate arts, and serve them up on gold plate. Unwise men do not consider this, and fools do not understand it; so that the former find out too late that their souls must be starved to death for lack of that better thing which they once so carelessly threw away; while the latter enjoy their husky diet in peace, unknowing that there is any better thing at all. Edu Donovan - Concurrence Tooks Cornely Jask no heaven the last be dune no blad crown our our d wount elars Remark here: When look shall she smay to Dhe Dens enged ont, her coplass free In voic a music tento thee, For crain new book give him of me. dol, her am I,

#### Second Day of Creation

This world I deem
But a beautiful dream
Of shadows that are not what they
seem,
When visions rise
Giving dim surmise
Of the things which shall meet our
waking eyes.

Arm of the Lord,
Creating Word, Whose glory the silent
skies record,
Where stands Thy Name
In scrolls of flame,
On the firmament's high shadowing
frame.

I gaze o'erhead
Where Thy hand hath spread
For the waters of heaven their
crystal bed,
And stored the dew
In its deeps of blue,

Which the fires of the sun come tempered through.

Softly they shine
Through that pure shrine,
As beneath the veil of Thy flesh
divine
Beams forth the light
That were else too bright
For the feebleness of a sinner's
sight.

And such I deem
The world will seem,
When we waken from life's mysterious dream,
And burst the shell
Where our spirits dwell
In their wondrous ante-natal shell.

I gaze aloof
At the tissued roof,
Where time and space are the warp
and woof,
Which the King of kings
Like a curtain flings
O'er the dreadfulness of eternal
things.

A tapestried tent,
To shade us meant,
From the bare everlasting
firmament,
Where the blaze of the skies
Comes soft to the eyes
Through a veil of mystical
imageries.

But if I could see,
As in truth they be,
The glories that encircle me,
I should lightly hold
This tissued fold,
With its marvelous curtain of
blue and gold.

For soon the whole,
Like a parched scroll,
Shall before my amazed eyes uproll,
And without a screen,
At one burst be seen
The Presence in which I have
always been.

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The blinding glare
Of the Majesty that shall meet
us there?
What eye may gaze
On the unveiled blaze
Of the light-girdled throne of
the Ancient of Days?

Christ us aid!
Himself be our Shade,
That in that dread day we be not dismayed!

Thomas Whytehead, M.A.

From a little book of poems by Whytehead published by Dalby, Isbister & Co.,56 Ludgate Hill, London.

When that our gentle Lord was born and credled in the hay There rode three wise men from the ear Three rich wise men were they -

All in the starry night they came Their homage gifts to pay.

They got them down from camel-back,

The cuttle shed before,

And in the darkness vainly sought

A great latch on the door.

"Ho! this is strange," quoth Balthaza:

"Aye strange," quoth Melchior.

Well hidden is the lock."
"The door," quoth Melchior, "is stout and fast, our skill to mock"
Quoth Balthazar, "The little King Might wake, we dere not knock."

The three wise men they sat them down to wait for morning dawn, The cumning wards of that old door They thought and marvelled on:

Quoth they, "No gate in all the East Hath bar bolts tighter drawn."

Anow there came a little lad With lambskins for the King.

He had no key, he raised no latch, He touched no hidden spring But gently pushed the silent door And open it gave swing. "A miracle! a miracle!"
Cried out the wise men three:
"A little child hath solved the locks
That could not opened be"
In wonder spoke the shepherd lad
"It hath no locks," quoth he.

grage M. P. Bains

Turn back O Man, forswear thy foolish ways. Old now is Earth, and none may count her days. Yet thou, her child, whose head is crowned with flame, Still wilt not hear thine inner God proclaim "Turn back O Man, forswear thy foolish ways!" Earth might be fair and all men glad and wise, Age after age their tragic empires rise. Built while they dream, and in that dreaming weep. Would man but wake from out his haunted sleep Earth might be fair and all men glad and wise, Earth shall be fair, and all her people one, Nor till that hour shall God's whole will be done. Now, even now, once more from earth to sky Peals forth in joy man's cld undaunted cry "Earth shall be fair, and all her tolk be one!"

He who would valiant be 'Gainst all disaster,
Let him in constancy
Follow the Master.
There's no discouragement
Shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent
To be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round With dismal stories, Do but themselves confound His strength the more is. No lion can him fright, He'll with a giant fight But he will have the right To be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, thou dost defend Us with thy Spirit, We know we at the end Shall life inherit. Then fancies flee away! I'll fear not what men say, I'll labor night and day To be a pilgrim.

Amen.

J Bunyan, 1628-1688,

Arise, arise, good Caristian, Let right to verong succeed; Let penitential sorrow To Nesvenly gladness lead; To the light that both no evening, That knows nor moon nor sun, The light so now and golden, The light that is but one.

O happy, holy portion,
Refection for the blest,
True vision of true beauty,
Ewest cure of all distrest!
Strive, man, to win that glory,
Foil, man, to gain the t light;
end hope before to grasp it,
Till hope be lost in sight.

And now we fight the battle,

Put then shall wear the crown
Of full and everlasting

and passionless renown;

And We Thom now we trust in,

Shall then be seen and known,

And they that know and see Wim,

End I have Wim for their own.

I have the hope within me
To comfort and to bless!

Emil I ever win the prize itself?
O tell me, tell me, yes!

Emult, O dast and ashes!
The Lord shall be thy part;
The only, his forever,
Then shall be and then art!

"Lord, when I am weary with toiling
And burdensome seem Thy commands,
If my load should lead to complaining
Lord, show me Thy hands Thy nail-pierced hands Thy cross-torn hands My Saviour, show me Thy hands!

"Christ, if ever my footsteps falter,
And I be prepared for retreat,
If desert or thorn cause lamenting,
Lord, show me Thy feet Thy bleeding feet Thy nail-scarred feet My Jesus, show me Thy feet!

"O GOD, DARE I SHOW THEE MY HANDS AND MY FEET?"

## The Secret

"I met God in the morning
When my day was at its best,
And His presence came like sunrise
Like a glory in my breast.

"All day long the Presence lingered,
All day long He stayed with me,
And we sailed in perfect calmness
O'er a very troubled sea.

"Other ships were blown and battered,
Other ships were sore distressed,
But the winds that seemed to drive the
Brought us peace and rest.

"Then I thought of other mornings,
With keen remorse of mind,
When I too had loosed the moorings,
With the Presence left behind.

"So I think I know the secret
Learned from many a troubled way:
You must seek Him in the morning
If you want Him through the day!"

—— Ralph S.Cushman.

"My hill top isn't half as high
As once it seemed to be,
Nor are the views as lovely
As the ones I used to see:
And sometimes all the sky comes down
Intil I think I'll smother:
Perhaps I've lingered here too longI'll climb up to another."
—— Ralph S.Cushman

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Across to that strange country And yet not strange, for it has The home of those of whom I am They make it seem familiar and

As journeying friends bring dis

And so to me there is no sting and so the grave has lost its volt is but crossing with aboted And white set face, a little stop find the loved ones waiting More beautiful, more precious to

"What is the best a friend can be To any soul, to you or me?"

Not only shelter, comfort, rest— Inmost refreshment unexpressed; Not only a beloved guide To thread life's labyrinth at our side, Or with love's torch lead on before; Though these be much, there yet is more.

- "The best friend is an atmosphere
  Warm with all inspirations dear,
  Wherein we breathe the large, free breath
  Of life that hath no taint of death.
  Our friend is an unconscious part
  Of every true beat of our heart;
  A strength, a growth, whence we derive
  God's health, that keeps the world alive.
- "Can friend lose friend? Believe it not!
  The tissue whereof life is wrought,
  Weaving the separate into one,
  Nor end hath, nor beginning; spun
  From subtle threads of destiny,
  Finer than thought of man can see.
  God takes not back his gifts divine;
  While thy soul lives, thy friend is thine."

"Each soul whispers to herself: Twere like a breach

Of reverence in a temple, could I dare
Here speak untruth, here wrong my inmost
thought.

Here I grow strong and pure; here I may yield Without shamefacedness the little brought From out my poorer life, and stand revealed And glad, and trusting, in the sweet and rare And tender presence which hath filled the air."

"In Cloisters Dim," by Charles Curtz Hahn (Burkley Printing Company, Omaha), is a little book of poems of feeling and delicacy. They seem to tell a story:

One eve I knelt in a Franciscan church, Andlone I need not name beside me knelt And prayed. The twilight cast a sacred gloom O'er nave and chancel. Sculptured saint, and saint In painting, shadowy, spirit-like appeared. Her face alone shone clear and angel-like, And, looking upward to the one red light Which burned before the Host, a tender light In her own face, betokened angel smiles. The sound of children chanting childhood's hymns Of praise to Mary, floated down from stalls Up near the holy place. Two monks in cowls And girded with the threefold cord, before The altar knelt in silent prayer. She, too, Dear one, prayed, silent. Heart told heart she prayed For me. O, love, long since in Paradise!

This night I vigil keep and kneel alone
Where once those brothers knelt, O love, lost love!—
As, walking through fair vales of rest with Him
In sacrament adored that eve by us,
Thou lookest down upon a priest in prayer—
Rememb'ring that calm night of peace and love,
Rememb'ring him who loved. and loving, died
To all the world for thee—this night, my saint,
My loved one, pray for him who knelt with thee!

The second poem, entitled "After Many Years," may be accepted as a sequel. We give a part of it:

The peace of God has come to me at last!
At peace, I kneel before the sacred throne.
At peace, at last! Through stormy days I've passed,
But through the storm I've come unto my own.

The sun shines brighter 'gainst the convent walls;
The green of trees is greener in the wood;
The flowers bloom brighter, and it seems as if
Thro' all the 'world there shines a beam of good.

The joy of peace! the joy of peace! By me,
The seeking one, is found in cloisters dim.
The path I've chosen is apart from men,
And with the angels I now walk with Him.

Center by an out man both of whole lyce come removed by Dr. P. C. Jameson, Brooklyn

I can be at well as ever in my dreamed.

You my dight was never better, so it seems:

Aut analism, I'm reminded.

Not I am for all time blinded.

So let me dream.

Sowers the slap that known me waking, how my steps are even taking - before that quicken in their frace. Be they sown may reating place.

There has me rest.

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Then to rice to frank endeavor,
the lone enden of spirit life,
View from fraction, fract from strip,
I know mat which.

But his trought brings me mo from. For my fruth an other, and chan, that he ist life or he it rest,

That which will be will be high and I'm content.

Content indeed For has my share

Of the world's blessing, greet and come: and when my lummous comes to join to countries supriade, who have gone, I aile be really The day Thou gavest Lord, is ended.

The darkness falls at Thy behest;

To Thee our morning hymns ascended.

Thy praise shall hallow now our rest

We thank Thee that Thy Church unsleeping, While earth rolls onward into light.

Through all the world her watch is keeping,

And rests not now by day or night.

As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun, that bids us rest, is waking Our brethren neath the western sky. And hour by hour fresh lips are

making
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it.Lord; Thy throne shall never, Like earth's proud empires, pass

away; But stand, and rule, and grow for ever Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway.

J. Ellenton

When Jesus came to Golgotha they hanged Him on a tree,
They drove great nails through

hands and feet and made a Calvary

They crowned Him with a crown of thorns, red were His wounds and deep,

For those were crude and cruel days and human flesh was cheap.

When Jesus came to Birmingham they simply passed Him by

They never hurt a hair of Him, they only let Him die.

For men had grown more tender, and they could not give Him pain,

They only just passed down the street and left Him in the rain.

Still Jesus cried, "Forgive them, for they know not what they do," And still it rained the winter rain that drenched Him through and through.

The crowds went home and left the streets without a soul to see, And Jesus crouched against a wall and cried for Calvary.

Studdert Kennedy.

So the legion of the last area, to the cohent of the danner To my brother in their somow over seas. Sings a goodleman & England, change brus ma. chinely crammed and a trooper of the Engineer of my pleaser. are have done and Stopes Storm as an lost to Love Just ma as an droffing down the ladder, rung by rung, and the measure of our fourt for heef no for se knew to worst too foreing Our shame is clear rependance for the crume that hogh to sentence and to are of Ruchen touch up the an alien tenf enfold we and we die and now can the them when we dui.

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Bah! Jah! Bah!

Whose love of right is for themselves, and not for all their race. To the humblest and the weakest, 'neath the all-beholding sun. HE's true to God who's true to man; wherever wrong is done That wrong is also done to us; and they are slaves most base, James Russell Lowell. For I dipt into the future, far as human eye could see, Saw the vision of the world, and the wonder that would be;

Till the war-drum throbbed no longer, and the battle flags were furled.

In the Parliament of man, the federation of the world.

Then the common sense of most shall hold a fretful realm in awe,

And the kindly earth shall slumber, lapt in universal law.

For I doubt not through the ages one increasing purpose

runs,

And the thoughts of men are widened with the process of the suns."

Tennyson.

Jesus.

I would, dear Jesus, I could break Make
The hedge that creeds and hearsay, n
and , like the first disciples be
In person led and taught by thee.

I read thy words , so strong, so sweet I seek the footprints of thy feet;
But men so mystify the trace
I long to see theeface to face.

Wouldst thou not let me at thy side In thee, in thee so sure confide? Like John, upon thy breast recline And feel thy heart make mine divine

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The Will Divine that woke a wait: With desert cry and Calvary's cre Had equal need on thee its power Thou soul of passionate zeal and

O slave devout of burdening Hebr Proud to fulfill each time-exalt How brake the illusion of thy sw On that meek front of calm, endu

Then flashed it on thy spirit mi That thou hadst spurned a love t And all the pride went down in w Of boundless shame and boundless What large atonement that great of For every wounding slight, a psale Unending worship shall the debt of For hours of rage a life of marty:

Yet in such morning glow, such vir What chilling sense of debt or cla O wondrous power of noble love, to From binding Law to glorious Liber

Dream not that one hath drained the Full pours the tide in widening statist for new liberties that conque Shatter the severing walls with po

## GOD'S BEST.

God has His best things for the few That dare to stand the test; God has His second choice for those Who will not have His best.

It is not always open ill
That risks the Promised Rest;
The better, often, is the foe
That keeps us from the best.

There's scarcely one but vaguely wants
In some way to be blest;
'Tis not Thy blessing, Lord, I seek—
I want Thy very best.

And others make the highest choice, But when by trials pressed, They shrink, they yield, they shun the cross, And so they lose the best.

I want, in this short life of mine, As much as can be pressed Of service true for God and man; Help me to be my best.

I want to stand when Christ appears
In spotless raiment dressed;
Numbered among the His hidden ones,
His holiest and best.

I want among the victor throng To have my name confessed; And hear my Master say at last, Well done; you did your best!

Give me, O Lord, Thy highest choice; Let others take the rest; Their good things have no charm for me, For I have got Thy best.

#### A Morning Watch.

A door clanks loose; the gust beats by;
The chairs grow plain about;
Upon the curving mantel high
The carved heads stand out.
The maids go down to brew and bake,
And on the dark stair make
A clatter sudden, shrill—
Lord, here am I,
Clear of the night and ready for Thy will.

All through the house come calling me
Great voices as of yore;
One of the fields, one of the sea,
One of the town before;
Immeasurable, dread and fine,
Beyond the shops' black line,
The marching East goes by—
Which shall it be;
Lord, which the road that is to Thee most night

-Lizette Woodworth Reese.

# A Neapolitan Legend.

(From the Munich Vaterland.)

UR good Lord Jesus Christ once walked with His disciples across a stony acre, where no tree defended the wanderers against the midday sun. "If each of you," said the Lord, will take up one of these stones whenever you cross this land, the ground will soon bear rich fruits." The disciples anxious to please the Master, picked up stones as many as they could carry, and the sweat ran from their brows. St. Peter alone demurred. 'Carry stones on so hot a day? Verily not I!" quoth he; and he picked up a pebble not much larger than a hen's egg. The Lord knew it well, but said nothing. At the end of

the acre was a wooded hill, and here, by the side of a murmuring stream, the Lord told His disciples to rest. "Let each place his stones before me." St. John had carried a large piece of rock, so large that only his love for the Master could give him strength to bear the burden. By the side of this stone St. Peter's pebble looked rather ridiculous, but he did not seem to mind that. He turned to the Saviour, and said, "Master, we would eat, but have no bread." "Those who work will always have bread," said the Lord, and He blessed the stones before Him. behold, they were changed into loaves! All had bread in plenty, except Peter, whose portion fell out rather small, but he was too proud to beg of St. John. On the way back the disciples, without a reminder from Jesus, again picked up stones, and this time St. Peter carried the largest of all. At the other end of the acre flowed the Jordan, and Jesus said, "Let none do good for the sake of reward. Throw your stones into the river." Thus St. Peter fasted a whole day and learned much.

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amber glory of the day's retreat; I listen for the coming of His feet. the midnight robed in darkness, crimson of the morning, whiteness of the noon, the glory of the moon, the

Toiling up the slopes of Calvary, sorrow of the coming of His feet. I have heard His wearied footstens the temple's marble pavement Tired, worn with anguish, On the sands of Galilee, On the street. 当りの

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Down the minster aisles of splendour, -hro the wondering throng, Who has known heights and depths, shall not again Know peace, not as the calm heart knows Low, ivied walls, a garden close, The old enchantment of a rose

And though he tread the humble ways of man, He shall not speak the common tongue again. Who has known heights, shall bear forevermore An incommunicable thing That hurts his heart, as if a wing Beat the portal, challenging: And yet, lured by the gleam his vision wore, Who once has trodden stars seeks peace no more.

-Mary Brent Whiteside.

Vith motion strong and fleet, Sounds His victor tread, approaching with a The music of the coming of His feet.

Jandaled not with shoon of silver, Girdled not with woven gold, Laken not with costly gems and odors sweet, But white winged and shod with glory in the Tabor light of old,
I listen for the coming of His feet.

He is coming, oh, my spirit,
With His everlasting peace,
With His blessedness immortal and complete,
He is coming, oh, my spirit,
And His coming brings release,
I listen for the coming of His feet.

stood, The Tecumseh had the Struck by a torpedo, the monitor began to sink rapidly. Lieut. Commander CRAVEN and the pilot both jumped for room and time for one to pass. CRAVEN bowed away his chance for life in the quick the ladder at the same instant, to escape from the death-trap. 500 These lines are founded on an incident of the late war. lead of FARRAGUT'S squadron at Mobile Bay. courteous cry-"After you, Pilot!"

On a now historic day Farragut in Mobile Bay With his floating "walls of wood"

Toward the Southron's ramparts

Where the rebel flag in pride All the Yankee power defied.

The "Tecumseh" in the van Of the forts the gauntlet ran-

Till a sly torpedo's spite Overcame her iron-clad might;

And the brave old monitor Floated on the wave no more.

As beneath the shock it reeled-Deep into the waters keeled-

From his 'tween-decks prison-pen Sought escape the Captain then Where a narrow ladder led

To the spar-deck overhead.

E'er his foot had touched a rung, Thither too the pilot sprung.

Craven saw no chance for two: "Pilot!" cried he, "after you!"

Safe the pilot reached the deck-Lost his chief was in the wreck.

'Neath the waves of Mobile Bay Craven's white bones rest to-day.

Where the surges rise and fall He hath no memorial;

Yet rude Time can ne'er efface From our history's page the trace

Of his self-forgetful deed In that hour of tragic need.

Finer, knightlier courtesy Ne'er was shown on land or sea! For your help and inspiration we should like to share with you the full poem which was partly quoted by King George of England in 1940. It was written thirty years ago by Miss M. L. Haskins in her Gloucestershire home for Indian Missions in which Miss Haskins was deeply interested.

"I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the

year

Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.

And he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God.'

That shall be to you better than light—and safer than a known way.

So I went forth,

And finding the hand of God trod gladly into the night.

And He led me toward the hills and the breaking of day in the lone East.

So heart be still:

What need our little life, our human life to know, if God hath comprehension?

In all the busy strife, of things both high and low. God hideth His intention.

God knows, His will is best.

The stretch of years which winds ahead, so dim to our imperfect vision

Is clear to God. Our fears are premature; in Him all time hath full provision."

### LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

Wide fields of corn along the valley spread;
The rain and dews mature the swelling vine;

I see the Lord in multiplying bread;

I see him turning water into wine;

I see him working all the works divine

He wrought when Salemward his steps were led;

The selfsame miracles around him shine;

He feeds the famished; he revives the dead;

He pours the flood of light on darkened eyes;

He chases tears, diseases, fiends away;

His throne is raised upon these orient skies;

His footstool is the pave whereon we pray.

Ah, tell me not of Christ in Paradise, For he is all around us here today.

John Charles Earle

"In and out of houses with basket of Up steep steps I stagger with scol Unpleasant is the task of cleaning Where noxious sewer gases trembling Scurrying on the highway, down the Others too are hurrying, some with But it is I who walk where the bla

Am I thirsty? I dare not drink fr Am I tired? To whom shall I my wea Am I hungry? My little ones cry ou How are we all from such a pittand The way-faring dog is thrown a por Into my hand is tossed what the li In soft woolen garments the other Mine huddle together 'neath rags a Oh Lifter-up of the trodden-down,

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swept aside, discord gave place to harmony, confidence was reestablished, and progress of the best and truest kind became the order of the day. The school which Mr. Amen has left behind him as a monument of his work is a school whose prestige and position in our American educational world to-day are higher than even he could have dared hope they would be. Other factors have contributed their helpful influences, but the main factor has been Mr. Amen himself, a tireless worker, an inspiring leader, and, in the finest sense

of the word, a man.

Mr. Amen was a man whom it was a rare privilege to know intimately, and whom to know was indeed to love. Bashful and modest as a child, he sometimes failed to impress upon the superficial observer his real talents and worth. Self-seeking had no part in his make-up, and it mattered little to him what others thought if only his own conscience was clear and his own conviction sure. Fortified with these weapons, he was prepared

to fight and fight with all his strength for the success of the school to which he had pledged so fully his life and his talents. And yet his very modesty made him sensitive as well, and criticisms sometimes cut deeply even though they were not allowed to shake his high purpose or weaken his energy. He was sometimes criticised for burying himself in details, but he was convinced that details could not be disassociated in school management from the larger and more apparent problems, and to details he consequently devoted time and thought without stint, to the very close of his life. And it is probably well for the Academy he served that this is so. Shy though he was and constantly shrinking from publicity, he was a very mine of information and a source of untold helpfulness to those who sought his advice and guidance. To the present principal of Phillips Academy at Andover his wise counsel and friendly suggestions proved of untold value. No one could have been more sympathetic than he, and no advice could have been more timely than that which he, out of a rich experience, so fully and generously offered to those who were privileged to seek it. Exeter has lost a great leader, but we believe that his influence and the momentum which he has given to the school he loved and served so well will insure for the future continued progress and even larger success.

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Dr. Robert E. Speer Rockledge Lakeville, Connecticut

My dear Dr. Speer:

The full story of President Grant's withdrawal of Caleb Cushing's name for Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is told in Volume 2, Pages 363-376 of my biography. Unfortunately the book is out of print and I myself have only two copies. Otherwise I should find pleasure in sending you the volume.

I think that Mr. Foster in his book, American Diplomacy in the Orient, relied very largely on facts received from Cushing's political opponents. The only "moral obliquity" alleged against Cushing in 1873 was the fact that he had sent a perfectly commonplace and conventional recommendation of a government clerk to Jefferson Davis, his former associate in Pierce's cabinet. This letter, fully quoted in my book, was sent on March 20, 1861, before the war had broken out between the North and South. As a matter of fact, Sumner and Boutwell, the senators from Massachusetts, supported Cushing's nomination. I suppose that back of it all is the fact that Cushing up until 1860 had been a Democrat and that he had presided over the Charleston Convention. He voted for Lincoln in 1864 and for Grant in 1868 and 1872, thereby making himself the same kind of a Republican that Wendell Willkie is in 1944.

With my warm regards and good wishes, I am

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The current generation is spiritually illiterate and lacking in even the rudiments of theological knowledge, Dr. William A. Orton, Professor of Economics at Smith College, declared yesterday at a luncheon meeting held by the fifth annual Columbia University Conference on Religion held in Earl Hall on the Columbia campus.

"The composition of the college student body today is peculiar,' Professor Orton said. "We have the children of prohibition parents. The student today has not read the Bible and cannot understand any references or allusions to the Bible. What so many teachers thus experience in the classroom illustrates what a tremendous break there has been in the transmission of the Christian culture. This ignorance of one' religious background and tradition is equally true for Jewish students.

"Religion cannot be taught in the classroom, particularly in the form of courses 'about' or 'around' religion such as courses on comparative studies of religion. In so far as the college can deal with the subject, it should attempt to bring the student to the point where he cannot sneer or laugh off the existence of the totality of being.

"Religion should be presented in a dynamic form. If we educators can make a personal commitment, then the student will be more apt to take the experience seriously. The logical conclusion is that our actions will speak louder than words."

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S. S. Dimes , lay 19, 1945

Dr. Reuben A. Torrey has summoned up ten important reasons for believing the Bible is indeed the Word of God. Briefly, they are as follows:

1. On the ground of the testimony of the Lord Jesus, who quoted from the Old Testament as authoritative and as

the Word of God.

2. On the ground of its fulfilled prophecv.

3. On the ground of the unity of the Bible, sixty-six books written by more than thirty different men over a period of more than fifteen hundred years, and in three different languages and many different countries, and yet with absolute unity of thought and purpose.

4. On the ground of the immeasurable superiority of the teachings of the Bible to those of any other and all other books.

5. On the ground of the history of the Book, its victory over attacks and attempts of men to destroy it.

6. On the ground of the character of those who accept and those who reject the Book.

7. On the ground of the influence of the Book. Only this Book can transform evil lives into good.

8. On the ground of the inexhaustible depth of the Book. The Bible is inex-

haustible.

9. On the ground of the fact that as we grow in knowledge and holiness, we

grow toward the Bible.

10. On the ground of the direct testimony of the Holy Spirit. If any man accepts the teaching of this Book, and yields himself to its precepts, he may have the inner conviction from the Spirit of God that this is indeed God's Word.

### Reasons For Studying The Bible.

- 1. Our souls need nourishment as truly as our bodies, and the Bible is the best food for our souls.
- 2. It occupies the mind with good thoughts. It fosters reverence and earnestness of spirit. It gives volume and depth and dignity to our lives.
- 3. It helps to restrain wrong impulses and to purify wrong desires, to clarify and strengthen the sense of duty and to awaken and intensify the purposes of righteousness.
- 4. It moulds the character by keeping before it the perfect example of Christ and by the influence of the truth. It reveals to us the will of God as to duty and work and the spirit and sphere of action of our lives.
- 5. The Bible has so entered into the best life and institutions of the nation, that ignorance of the Bible is unpatriotic. As Justice Brewer says, "He is the best patriot who loves the Bible best and teaches it to others.
- 6. The Bible contains all that we know of God. There are some thir hat we can reason out about God but they all in the Bible, and there is a great deal there about God which we should not know otherwise.
- 7. It is the most interesting book in the world If any man thinks it is not, lethim try to practice it and see.
- 8. If we want to do any Christian work with others and for others we must know the Bible. A knowledge of the Bible and love in our hearts constitute the best equipment for Christian work.
- 9. The example of Christ: He was a student of the Bible and He had only the Old Testament and probably was too poor to own a very large part of that. If with only the Old Testament, and that borrowed; He loved and studied the Bible so, how much more ought we with our richer Bible and owning our own copies.

10. The Bible is God's Word to us. Prayer is our word to Him. Prayerful Bible study therefore opens up real fellowship between us and God.

### WHAT ELSE COULD SHE DO?

In Dr. Mears's book, "Inspired Through Suffering," published by the Fleming H. Revell Company, New York, he gives the following anecdote, telling how one of the world's sweetest singers and most beautiful characters was led from a life of praise and luxury to a higher ideal:—

The biographer of Jenny Lind has pictured her sitting close by the surfs that were rolling in from the ocean. Upon her knee was a Lutheran Bible; while closing down upon the westward waters was a sunset of surpassing splendor and beauty. The world had been entranced by this gentle woman, whose voice gave hints of what angels' voices may be. Crowded assemblies had called and recalled her again and again to look upon her face and hear such notes as other human lips have never rendered.

The wealth of continents had striven to give its owners a place where the enchantress of song ruled. It was a friend who asked why it was she had abandoned the stage in her early career, when at the very height of the most brilliant successes. To the question the great artist quietly replied, "When every day it made me think less of this" (laying her finger on the Bible) "and nothing at all of that" (pointing to the sunset), "what else could I do?"

Were the truths of the Book prevalent in the hearts of men, should we be disturbed and frightened as we are day by day by those gigantic frauds that are bursting out in every community, and which lead us to believe that all honesty in trade, all honesty in public life have left the world forever? Is it unsuited to the times in which we live, when, if its holy precepts and its Divine commands had been listened to, we should not have these gigantic evils?

-THE SEVENTH EARL OF SHAFTSBURY.

The man of one book is always formidable; but when that Book is the Bible, he is irresistible.

—WILLIAM M. TAYLOR.

### Reading the Bible

THE Bible has several good points, which should appeal to practical and ignorant people like myself.

It is the most economical book in the world, for it renders all other books superfluous.

You can get it in almost any size you want. It comes so small it will fit into a waistcoat pocket. If you want something to carry around for exercise, it comes up to ten or fifteen pounds.

So far as I have been able to discover, there isn't a single word in it that you cannot understand as soon as you look at it.

You don't have to read it through. You can pick it up anywhere.

Any part of it gets better every time you read it.

My principal discovery about the Bible indeed, as far as I am concerned, is that the only way to read it is without any system.

When I found I could read the Bible according to my own lights, I found I had an occupation that created more new values for me than anything I had ever tried. Perhaps it at first is the fact that it is so closely written. A modern writer (just as I am doing now, shame on me), is always at some pains to explain his ideas. This is, of course, due to competition, the one who succeeds in making it easiest or most obvious for the reader being the one who has the greatest number of readers. But the Bible is not competing with any other book. It is the bedrock foundation of all our literature, and therefore if you want to know anything, the Bible is where you must go to find it. It contains all the latest news. No newspaper man, no sage or sci-

entist, no philosopher or statesman, has ever been able to get up early enough in the morning to get ahead of the Bible. Being so compactly written, without a superfluous word, no word in it can therefore be overlooked, and that is why it must be read without any ambition, that is, any thought that one may acquire a reputation as an authority for having read it; and that is why it can never be read by any method or system. It is too big for systems; it comprehends man himself and all his thoughts. It is in reality a great gallery of superb human portraits .- Thomas L. Masson, in The Christian Herald. 1923?

### SEES BIBLE OUTMODED. Dr. Jesse H.

fined in Modern Terms.

The man who describes God as the force which drives his automobile and charges his dynamo is capable of more vital religious experience than the man who mumbles "The Lord is my shepherd," Dr. Jesse H. Holmes, Professor of Philosophy at Swarthmore College, said yesterday before an audience of Columbia University students in Earl Hal.

"I should prefer to hear a man describe the Lord as his low gear for climbing a hill, or his antiseptic on dangerous waters, or his dynamo for charging run-down batteries, or the sunlight in his room, than have him quote the sentimental and poetic phrases of the Biblical writers, because those things mean something to him and are part of his experience," Dr. Holmes said.

"'The Lord is my shepherd' tells us nothing about the Lord. It is a sentimental phrase vaguely suggesting sheep. It means nothing to you.

"Evangelical religion has fallen flat. It is using illustrations drawn from a different age."

### The Bible and Education

In an address at the Columbia Convocation in New York, commemorating the 400th anniversary of the English Bible, the Dean of St. Paul's, London, said, in the course of the address:

One cannot contemplate a falling away from the reverence and knowledge of the Bible without seeing a great danger of national incoherence. In this modern time there is a great risk that the masses of the population may become, as it were, uprooted, without secure foundation for their lives, that they may degenerate into a swaying crowd with no common values and no continuing tradition. The nations flourish or decay ultimately from within. They flourish or decay from the soul.

It is surely the duty of everyone who owes his own spiritual life to the Bible to do his utmost to insist that it shall take its proper place in the education of the people; and constantly to urge that no education, from the most elementary to the most advanced, can be adequate which leaves students in ignorance of this fountainhead of all that is best in our common heritage.

-Federal Council Bulletin.

The very study and effort to destroy the Bible will only cause it to penetrate still more deeply into the world's thought, and imbed it still more firmly in the literature of all ages.

—BISHOP DAVIS W. CLARK.

The Bible is either the most adventurous and astounding fraud that has ever gained currency among men, or the most sublime and momentous system of verities that has at any time appeared upon earth.

-BISHOP FOSTER.

### REASONS WHY A COLLEGE STUDENT SHOULD STUDY THE BIBLE.

PRESIDENT W. R. HARPER, PH. D., D. D., of Chicago University, assigns the following pungent reasons "Why a College Student Should Study the Bible:"

1. Because the Bible is so well known.

2. Because the Bible is not so well known.

3. Because of what it is as history.

4. Because of what it is as literature.

5. Because the Bible shows the gradual development through centuries of a divine plan for man's redemption.

6. Because the Bible describes the consummation of this plan in the life and death of Jesus Christ, and in the establishment of the Christian Church.

7. Because it contains the fundamental principles of natural life.

8. Because it prescribes a rule of guidance for individual life.

9. Because it furnishes strength to resist evil.

10. Because without that broader, deeper view of the Bible the student is in danger of losing his respect and his regard for the sacred Book.

11. The college student should study the Bible because he of all men must teach the Bible, if it is to be taught wisely and intelligently. - Exchange.

It has been my hourly study, and all my knowledge of the doctrines and all my acquaintance with the experience and realities of religion, have been derived from the Bible only. I think religious people do not read the Bible enough. Books about religion may be useful enough, but they will not do instead of the simple truth of the Bible.

-WILLIAM WILBERFORCE.

Let us cling with holy zeal to the Bible and to the Bible only, as the religion of the Protestants. Let us proclaim, with Milton, that neither traditions, nor councils, nor canons of Visible Church, much less edicts of any civil magistrate or civil session, but the Scriptures only, can be the final judge or rule.

-- JOSEPH STORY.

From Chinese Gordon's Letters to his Sister:

10 August, 1867.

Make Him your guide; you do not want any other. He has said, "I will teach you all things"; and, depend upon it, you will find it the shortest course to pursue.

You say you have little time to read; you have from six to eight every morning. I own it is not pleasant to flesh and blood; but. if this trouble is much, the corresponding growth in grace is far greater. We must not deceive ourselves; we have plenty and plenty of time during the day for ourselves If we aspire to walk in the power of the new life, we must cast away all hindrances, and it must cost something we really value.

We aspire to a closer and lasting communion with the living God, which is a high aspiration and needs much striving and many falls.

Mauritius, 24 November, 1881.

I have read the Scriptures and have got pearls from them, but as though from deduction or analogy, and not as directly from God - not as though He spoke or wrote to use

It is difficult to explain what I mean, but what I want to say is this: I now look upon the Scriptures as alive - living oracles - and not as a historical, religious book, as I have hitherto done, even when feeling its mystical character. I cannot say how important this vista is to me. I have said that, as long as the newspaper affords one more attraction than the Bible.

I believe that Christ as man, with a sinle ss body derived from the Holy Ghost, and to whom the Holy Ghost was given without measure, obtained all knowledge, all miracle power, and all His attributes, simply because His eyes were opened by the Scripture.

something must be wrong.

February, 1882.

Look at the Tabernacle, a lot of wood and tapestry; nothing more; yet, with God in it, it is everything. That it is the type of every man, both actually and spiritually, I think is sure; and the solution is in the Scriptures, which are Christ. In the carnal man the Tabernacle is in ruins.

AVID PRICE and I were sitting on the campus where we were pursuing summer graduate study. I felt there was something strangely rich in David's life. Finally, I drew from him this story.

When twelve years of age David went to live in his grandfather's home. His grandfather. the Reverend Charles Woodward, lived in a suburb of Milwaukee. He was about seventy-five vears old—a retired Methodist preacher who had labored with primitive churches since his eighteenth year. His church work was in the pioneer days when music was thought an invention of the devil—at least that of the organ or the piano. So he played the violin and led the singing and preached, and rode the circuit. Later he came into considerable pastorates. His grandson remembers him as a large man, over six feet tall, and even at the age of seventyfive his shoulders, David proudly recalls, were still square. All Soc. Recol. La 38

On entering his grandfather's home, David found that it long had been his grandfather's custom to spend an hour daily with the Bible after the evening meal. On Sundays the time was extended so as to include family worship. This was the invariable order of the day, and to it all visiting relatives and friends and strangers were invited.

Grandson David was drawn into this daily Bible-study hour, in the two and a half years he spent in that home. At the end of that time the practice of the grandfather was so inherent a part of the grandson, that every day since, in

the ten intervening years, he has continued to read seven chapters, completing the reading of the Bible each year since he came under the guidance of his grandfather. Seldom, in these ten years, has David failed in this daily practice. In these rare lapses, because of illness or seasons of vacation, he has invariably made up the readings missed.

As I inquired into the benefits which have accrued through the decade David has pursued his grandfather's daily Bible readings, I learned both as to the way the grandfather managed the study of the Scriptures with David, and the high regard in which the grandson holds the grandfather because of what he bequeathed to him through the study of the Bible.

At the close of each day, David gratefully recalls, the grandfather would sit with his wife and grandson, reading the customary seven Bible chapters. After the reading, the grandmother would retire to clear the table and wash the dishes. But David remained with his grandfather, and they two would go back over the Scriptures read, to quicken their memory and understanding. In the case of the Old Testament study, for example, David recalls that his grandfather was careful to point out the degree of progress or decline in the life of the Hebrew people. In their study of this people the older student delighted in making clear to the younger how, for instance, human sacrifice came to be abandoned, and how the Jews were liberated from some of their narrow conceptions of God and neighbor. At times these two lingered on certain noble passages in the Old Testament in order to enjoy their sheer poetry.

When David remarked about the poetry of the Scriptures, my pulse of attention beat faster. Once or twice in the class the professor had read a poem by David Price, eliciting my immediate interest. Here let me give you one of his poems which I heard the teacher read, marked by a simple and stately diction, apparently manifesting the influence of David's reading of the Scriptures daily for more than a dozen years, and embodying a picture of an old bishop:

And when the dawn had come, and peace once more Did hold full sway within his holy realm, The bishop hastened through his morning tasks, That he might spend his hour alone and thank His God for what had come to pass the day before. At last his morning's work was done—Each plant had had its very special care; Every growing weed had known the hoe's sharp edge—

He laid away his garden tools with care And sought the quiet of his chapel cell.

There on his knees and, face to face, he met To pray unto his Father, God, and Friend. He asked his Lord in humble prayer that He Would watch and care for one who, yesterday, Had learned the value of a friend and left His parish house a finer, richer man. And as the tears of joy rolled down his cheek, The bishop rose once more and with one last

Amen resigned his soul unto his God; And as he raised his eyes upon his cross, There came to him a light, and to his ears A voice, as unto Saul upon the road, That spoke to him, commanding him to teach.

"Does not this picture of the good old bishop," I asked David, "reflect your childhood memory of your own grandfather?" He had not thought of that. "Probably it does," he answered, "but I was unconscious of it."

The answer to the Shaster is India; the answer to Confucianism is China; the answer to the Koran is Turkey; the answer to the Bible is the Christian civilization of Protestant Europe and America. —Wendell Phillips.

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Supreme Court Justice William T. Collins rejected yesterday an application by Joseph Lewis, president of the Free Thinkers of America, to strike out the answers of the Board of Education upholding the use of the Bible in the public schools, and defending both hymn singing and the use of public school buildings by religious and racial organizations.

In deciding the case, Justice Collins found that the courts of New York State have not passed directly on the question of the use of the Bible in the public schools, but it has received judicial sanction in Massachusetts. A decision of the courts of that State was quoted as

follows:

"The Bible has long been in our common schools \* \* \* It was placed there as the book best adapted from which to 'teach children and youth the principle of piety, justice and a sacred regard for truth, love of their country, humanity and a universal benevolence, sobriety, moderation and temperance.' \* \* But in doing this no scholar is requested to believe it; none to receive it as the true version of the laws of God. The teacher enters into no argument to prove its correctness, and gives no instruction in theology from it. To read the Bible in schools for these and like purposes, or to require it to be read without sectarian explanations, is no interference with religious liberty.'

Justice Collins asserted that the use of the Bible in no way affects the belief of Free Thinkers and said, "authentic free thinking involves the indubitable right to believe in God as well as the unfetered license not to believe or to disbelieve in a Deity. The mani-

fest vice of the plaintiff's position is that he has confused the racial and religious affiliations of the users of the school buildings for the purpose for which the buildings are used."

The court pointed out that the meetings of these organizations were permitted in school buildings solely for ethical, cultural or social

purposes.

Justice Collins rejected the allegation that the Federal or State Constitutions are violated or that the city charter violates the provisions of those Constitutions in permitting the use of the Bible in the schools.

"It is not urged that any particular sect or religion or biblical version is being taught or insinuated," he said. "It is not maintained that dogmatic religion is being foisted upon any pupil. No special creed or sect or tenet is favored. Even those who do not accept the Bible as an accurate, historical chronicle, enthusiastically regard it as possessing rare and sublime literary qualities.

"Suppose it were read in an English class as an example of pure English; Suppose that instead of readings from the Bible, there were readings from Shakespeare or Keats or Shelley, or Voltaire or Thomas

Paine?

"It would be treading upon explosive ground for the courts to essay a regimen for the public schools. Are the courts to dictate what shall and what shall not be read in the public schools? Is the curriculum of the public schools to be subject to judicial supervision and review? Are the courts to u the educational functions ves the Board of Education? The vers reside in the queries. And the answers resolve that the motion to strike out the defense be, and it is, in all respects, denied.

# THE INDISPENSABLE BOOK.

An editor of a well-known London newspaper is said to have sent the following query to one hundred promiauthors and the like: "Suppose you were sent to prison for three years and could only take three books nent men-peers, members of Parliament, professors, with you, which three would you choose? Please state them in the order of their importance." Out of the And the remarkable thing about it was that few of replies, ninety-eight put the Bible first on the list. the men interrogated were especially religious, many were not even church goers, and some were agnostics

If the Bible is regarded so important in confinement, why should it not be as equally important in daily life? If it is the one book to give comfort and help to those in prison, why should it not be accorded its or unbelievers. most learned, acute and diligent student in the longest life obtain an entire knowledge of this one volume. ly he works the mine, the The more deepabundant he finds the tinually beams from this source of heavenly knowledge, to direct the conduct and illustrate of God and the ways of men; and he will at last leave the world confessing that more he studied the Scriptures the inestimable value.

-WALTER SCOTT. rightful place in the activities of freedom? Whether bond or free the indispensable book is the Bible .--

A member of a college class, soon after graduation, was admitted to the practise of his chosen profession, the Leaving the court-house, he was met by a brilliant young man, who took him by the hand, saying: "Now you have been admitted to the bar, let me give you a little advice. your name taken from the church roll, burn your Bible, and you will make your mark." It was a moment of supreme temptation. Turning from him, the young lawyer walkt straight to the Depository and invested almost his last half-dollar in a pocket Bible. A quarter of a century passed, and this lawyer met, on the same spot, the wreck of this same brilliant young man. bloodshot eye and matted hair and beard-extending the same hand, he said, "Colonel, for God's sake, give me half a dollar, and let me get out of this town to get off this spree." As he drew from his pocket the coveted coin, he thought of his former investment.

HAVE you and I to-day Stood silent as with Christ, apart from joy or Of life, to see by faith his face; And grow, by brief companionship more true, More nerved to lead, to dare to do, For him at any cost? Have we to-day Found time, in thought, our hand to lay In his, and thus compare His will with ours, and wear The impress of his wish? Be sure Such contact will endure Throughout the day; will help us walk erect Through storm and flood; detect, Within the hidden life, sin's dross, its stain, Revive a thought of love for him again; Steady the steps which waver; help us see The footpath meant for you and me.

### FREDERIC HARRISON ON STYLE.

O one writes more brilliantly than Mr. Frederic Harrison. Every one, therefore, who wishes to write well cannot do better than read, reread, and commit to memory his excellent unreported address at Oxford on "Style in English Prose," which is printed in the Nineteenth Century for June. Here are a few of Mr. Harrison's words of wisdom:

"It is a good rule for a young writer to avoid more than twenty or thirty words without a full stop, and not to put more than two commas in each sentence, so that its clauses should not exceed three. This, of course, only in practice.

"Never quote anything that is not apt and new. Those stale citations of well-worn lines give us a cold shudder, as does a pun at a dinner-party. A familiar phrase from poetry or Scripture may pass when imbedded in your sentence. But to show it round as a nugget which you have just picked up is the innocent freshman's snare. Never imitate any writer, however good. All imitation in literature is a mischief, as it is in art.

"Though you must never imitate any writer, you may study the best writers with care. And for study choose those who have founded no school, who have no special and imitable style. Read Pascal and Voltaire in French; Smith, Hume, and Goldsmith in English; and of the moderns, I think, Thackeray and Froude. Ruskin is often too rhapsodical for a student; Meredith too whimsical.

'Read Smith, Defoe, Goldsmith if you care to know pure English. I need hardly tell you to read another and a greater Book. The Book which begot English prose still remains its supreme type. The English Bible is the true school of English literature. It possesses every quality of our language in its highest form—except for scientific precision, practical affairs, and philosophic analysis. It would be ridiculous to write

an essay on metaphysics, a political article, or a novel in the language of the Bible. But if you

care to know the best that our literature can give in simple noble prose—mark, learn, and inwardly digest the Holy Scriptures in the English tongue]"

Associate Justice Brewer, in delivering the address at the closing exercises of the Bible Teachers' Training School, of which Dr. W. W. White is president, spoke of the Bible and

its value to the life of the nation as well as the individual which should be suggestive to the Independence Day orator. "The more this Bible enters into our national life, the grander and purer and better will become that life. There is something more than putting the book into every man's hand. We have an illustration of what I mean in a political campaign. Orators and speakers are sent out to awaken enthusiasm and to get people to read the documents that are distributed. It does not follow that if you put a book in a man's hand that he will read it. You have to do something to draw his attention to its value and impress upon him that there is in the book something which is for his country's good. The sending out of teachers of the Bible competent explain and illustrate it makes it potent as a force in the land. The one who is engaged in bringing this Bible to the people is a patriot."

MEN whose lives were shaped by the Bible laid the foundations of American freedom. This marvelous Book has moulded earth's loftiest characters. It meets the deepest need and every need of every man. It charts the only path to real and lasting success. It reveals man's only way of salvation, and it is the world's best business book. Dig in it as for gold and you will secure treasure of value and extent beyond any calculation.

<sup>&</sup>quot;To every man who faces life with real desire to do his part in everything, I appeal for a study of the Bible No book of only kind ever written has so affected the whole life of a people."

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

## He Knew His Bible.

A Reminiscence of the Author of "America." John Kry Harriette Knight Smith. 706.76 INCE the "passing on" of Samuel Francis Smith, D. D., many pleasant reminiscences of his distinguished attainments and qualities have naturally appeared in the leading papers of all Protestant denominations. One incident recurs to me, which, as recalled with so much pleasure and told me by Dr. Smith himself, will interest others, as I know it did the writer.

When Dr. Smith in his early life was pastor of the village Baptist church of Waterville, Me., and professor, too, in Colby University, it happened that the president, who was accustomed to conduct the chapel worship, was for a long time absent on account of sickness; and Dr. Smith was requested by him to lead these services.

The university students thought this the proper time for them to examine their pastor-professor on his familiarity with the Scriptures and his ability to lead their worship without a copy before him. So they removed

from the chapel pulpit its Bible.

"I directly understood the situation," Dr. Smith said, "and therefore wasted no time in looking for the hidden Bible, rather expecting it would re-appear during the day; but the next morning it was still missing. As on the day previous, I repeated an entire, but rather short, chapter from memory. The third day there was yet no Bible on the pulpit. I therefore repeated a somewhat longer chapter, without speaking a word as to the absent Bible. "When on the fourth morning I found it had not been

replaced, I resolved to 'have it out' with the boys by proving to them my ability to quote from memory the entire New Testament and much of the Old, had it been necessary. I therefore proceeded to repeat one of the longest chapters of Luke's Gospel, a seventy-two verse one, I think, speaking so deliberately as to take three times as long as was ordinarily devoted to Bible-reading. The next day the Bible re-appeared, and remained thereafter where it belonged," Dr. Smith added, laughing as merrily as a boy, when he recalled this experience in his eighty-seventh year.

"We had no children's literature in those days," he continued, "and so had time to become fascinated with Bible stories as children of later generations have not. That was, of course, the secret of my familiarity with the Book of books."

"When did you begin your Bible-reading?" I recently asked Dr. Smith's only and beloved sister, Mrs. Susan E.

Parker, of Boston, a lady in her ninetieth year.

"As I learned my letters," she replied, adding: "I was four years old, when I remember to have had a bag containing pieces of bright-colored cloths to tie up and make into rag babies, since we had no other kind of dolls in those days. In this bag, which hung on the back of my small chair, I also kept my Bible; and I was so much more interested in my reading than in those bright pieces' that few dollies were made. The crowning joy of our home life," Mrs. Parker continued, "has always been my brother's and my own familiarity with, and accurate knowledge of, the entire Bible."

During her wonderfully useful and consecrated life Mrs. Parker has never for a single day left her room in the morning without reading at least one Bible verse, if time permitted no re. Her Bible has become, indeed, the staff of her beau, ful evening-time, and the source of her

constant helpfulness to many another.

"It is a blessed experience," she has said to me, since Dr. Smith's death, "to realize that during our long life together as only children, brother and I never, even in childhood, had an unpleasant word or disagreement. Our life was full of love one for the other, largely, I feel, because it was a Bible-reading one."

How earnestly we ought to strive to reproduce such lives and homes, praying as did the devoted author,-

"Long may out land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King."

Justice Brewer, of the United States Supreme Court. has an interesting article, partly very good and partly dangerous to at least younger thinkers, in The Interior. Chicago, entitled "What I Have Gained from Bible Teach-"." The danger to young students lies in the graceful se with which it assumes there have been interpolations, that apparent narratives of fact will be proved to be in the nature of parable, that while the account of the creation and the fall are literally false they are allegorically true, and so on. On the other hand six of the seven heads introductory statements may be quoted to the strengthng of the faith of lesser men. He begins with this statement. For over fifty years I have been connected with Sunday schools as scholar and teacher. During twelve of the years passed since I came to Washington, I have met a class of adults and with them studied the sacred volume." He then asks and says: "What profit has it en to me? Have the hours spent in such study been sted? There have come certain great rewards." He

then makes the following six observations, elaborating each one in turn as we are not able to do here.

"First, I have learned to have a greater tolerance of the views of others in respect to the meaning of different portions of the Book. Second, study of the Bible has given familiarity with the best specimens of literary composition. None furnishes such apt and useful quotations. Even in legal opinions (and they are generally dry and colorless) I have often found some sentence in the Bible to give emphasis to my thought and vigor to the argument. Third, its study gives assurance that it is what it purports to bemessage from God to man. Fifth, one thing which is arly disclosed by its teachings is the fact and the unity of a Divine being. Science, dealing with material things, does not find him and therefore is agnostic. The ignorant faith of heathen lands multiplies the divinities, but the clear voice of the Bible affirms the existence of One, the Power outside ourselves which makes for rightmess, the Infinite Spirit back of the physical universe, Jehovah of the Jews, the God of the Christian, Sixth,

more and more am I convinced that Jesus of Nazareth came into this world as a revelation of the purpose and character of that Divine Being, that he was so lifted up above his fellows in character and knowledge and so reduce to the Infinite One as properly to be called his Sonally, I have learned to believe in it not as one book, but as The Book. It is the one volume which in its uplifting power over the race is permanent. The world is being subdued by its message. It is the great uplifting force in the world. It is the everlasting voice of God upon earth."

# HOOVER ATTRIBUTES OUR IDEALS TO BIBLE

In Message to Bible Class Convention He Says Nation's Institutions Rest on "Book of Books."

Preservation of national ideals and representative institutions rests in adherence to the principles found in the Bible. President Hoover today told the closing session of the National Federation of Men's Bible Classes in convention here. The message was delivered by Representative Walter H. Newton of Minnesota, appointed a secretary by Mr. Hoover and delegated by him to appear at the convention.

The Rev. S. S. Lappin of Cincinnati and Morgan Blake, an Atlanta newspaper man were other speakers at the second and closing day of the

two-day convention.

The text of President Hoover's mes-

sage follows:

"There is no other book so various as the Bible, nor one so full of concentrated wisdom. Whether it be of the law, business, morals or that vision which leads the imagination in the creation of constructive enterprises for the happiness of mankind, he who seeks for guidance in any of these things may look inside its covers and find illumination.

"The study of this book in your Bible classes is a post-graduate course in the richest library of human ex-

perience.

"As a nation, we are indebted to the Book of Books for our national ideals and representative institutions. Their preservation rests in adhering to its principles."

# KAISER SAYS HE TRUSTS IN BIBLE

Finds in It a Solution of Every Difficulty — Doesn't Care Much for Clergymen.

### SWISS ARMY DELIGHTS HIM

He Says It Saves Him Six Army Corps—Expresses His Personal Desire to Maintain Peace

Day 11. 1912

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES. PARIS, Sept. 10.—Many anecdotes about the Kaiser's recent journey to Switzerland are contained in a letter to the Temps by René Puaux, that journal's special correspondent during the Kaiser's visit.

One anecdote deals with the Emperor's meeting with Mile. Buiard of Geneva, a lady of 70 who was governess at the Prussian Court. The Kaiser asked her if she remembered how he and his sisters used to pull her legs under the table and make her laugh till the tears ran down her face by their extraordinary grimaces. He reminded her of how one day a Prince and he holsted Princess Sophia on top of a cupboard, where the Princess emitted piercing shrieks. The former governess evoked in her turn reminiscences of the Kalser.

In conversation with Dr. Forrer, the Swiss President, the Kaiser spoke of his religious convictions.

"I do not care much for priests or clergymen or preachers," he said. "They dilute the Gospel with too much of their own brew. As for myself, I hold to the Bible, which I constantly read. In it one finds the solution of every difficulty and every problem. even of a political description."

The Emperor is reported to have said with a certain melancholy that he would greatly like to revisit Paris, which he had seen only once, in his youth.

PARIS, Sept. 16 .- M. Puaux quotes Emperor William as summing up his satisfaction with the work of the troops in a conversation with President Forrer in the words: "Your army saves me six army corps."

It is known that the Emperor's main It is known that the Emperor's mainobject in attending the manoeuvres was
to convince himself of the ability of the
Swiss Army to make the neutrality of
Switzerland respected in case of war,
and his remark is interpreted to mean
that the Swiss Army, forming a screen to
prevent the French from invading Germany through Switzerland, the Germans
could release six army corps in South
Germany for service in Alsace-Lorraine
or along the Belgian frontier.

The Emperor in conversation constant-

The Emperor in conversation constantly insisted upon the necessity of understandings as the best means of dissipating suspicion, and declared his personal

desire to maintain peace.

In regard to t great Book I have only to say, it is the bes, book, God has given to man. All the good from the Saviour of the world is communicated in this Book.

-- ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

The Bible is a book in comparison with which all others in my eyes are of minor importance, and which in all my perplexities and distresses has never failed to give me light and -ROBERT E. LEE. strength.

From Government Bulletin No. 14, 1950, we learn that Bible reading in public schools is expressly required by statute in eleven states (and by order of the Board of Education in the District or Columbia); is specifically permitted by law in five states, and is generally construed as lawful in twenty of the thirty—two remaining states whose constitutions and statutes do not expressly require, permit, or forbid it. In the twenty states which are legally silenthe silence is interpreted as legal permission, so that Bible reading is practiced there. Although not santioning it for her schools, California by legal processes has declared the Bible a nonsectarian book and claims a place for it in the school libraries. No state has a direct legislation against the use of the Bible in the school, and those with negative attitudes are in the small minority where the authority ranges between court decision to interpretations of the law by state boards of education.

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It is interesting to observe that during the past dozen years in thirty-three state universities reported in "School and Society," March 11, 1933, we have this information: "It is interesting to note that courses having to do with the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, are usually included in the curriculum. In the group of thirty-three surveyed, only two institutions were found where no distinctly Biblical courses were offered. There is a general feeling that the Bible challenges the attention of both scholars and students, not only because of its recognized authority, but also because of its influence on law, literature, and the progress of the race generally."

The Editors wrote to the United States Office of Education, Washington, D. C., and received the following interesting statement from Ward W. Keesecker, Specialist in School Legislation, concerning the legal status of Bible reading in the public schools. 6 James Jan 18:41

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(by charter)

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# SUMMER WORK OF THE CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

Ever since the 14th of June, this Society has been actively engaged in sending companies of girls and boys to the Bath Beach Summer Home, and to the Brace Farm School, at Kensico, Westchester County, New York. Most all of the little girls are under twelve years of age, and are scholars in the Industrial Schools of the Society, coming from homes in the crowded tenement wards. The boys attend the same schools, or have been overlooked or crowded out of other vacation parties, and so have been passed on to the Farm School, at Kensico, where there is liberty and wholesome food for every new comer.

From the commencement of the summer campaign, all the resources of the Society have been strained, so that as many as possible might participate in the pleasures of the Sea Side Home at Bath, and the farm among the hills of Westchester County.

The "wee boys" little chaps who are too young to be entirely separated from their sisters, have two cottiges at Bath Beach, set apart for them, where, under the oversight of efficient care-takers, they revel in delights, before unknown or unimagined.

Green grass, pure air, the shade of tail out spreading trees and the constant murmur of the water upon the beach, are in striking contrast to the dreary and uncleanly sufficiently sufficients.

The sending of one hundred Logs to the Farm

School for a two weeks' vacation is a new undertaking, but one calculated to enhance the usefulness of the Society, and it is hoped in this way to create a wider interest in rural pursuits than is natural to boys whose knowledge of life has been restricted to that of the congested quarters of New York.

A few boys who were among the first arrivals at the farm, were observed sitting, one evening,

at the side of the great barn. The twilight had faded and the stars were shining brightly overhead.

They had sat in perfect silence for some minutes, when one was heard to say, "What is all yuse tinking about?" "Nawthing," one and another answered; then after a short interval, one said, "Say, fellews, I tink if we spoke naterally, dey'd hear us in de city. I never knowed a place so still as dis."

The hux orous, as well as the more serious side of their nature also finds expression. One day, after the dinner hour, a number of the boys had wandered into the pasture lot, where the grass was green and fresh and apparently so attractive that soon the entire squad were stretched at full length upon the turf. Presently one little fellow piped out, "Hi, Billy, did you'se ever tink how dis puts all de parks in New York outer sight? We can trow ourselfs on de grass here wid out hearing de sparrer cops yell, "Here, yous'e fellers, git there! How many times do yous'e wants ter be telled to keep off de grass?" And then, as by one accord, they all burst into the

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—THOMAS HENRY HUXLEY.

All that has been done to weaken the foundation of an implicit faith in the Bible, as a whole, has been at the expense of the sense of religious obligation, and at the cost of human happiness.

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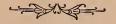
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Bible through 27 times.

One of the Kings of Aragon read with a large Commentary 14 times.

Alfred the Great loved the Bible found such great comfort in it, the translation of a part of it into the

language.

At the Coronation of Queen Vict was first placed upon her head by the Canterbury, and then, as the repres whole nation, he presented her with a of the Bible saying; "This Book is th thing that this world affords. Here i is the Royal Law; these are the live God. Blessed is he that readeth and the words of this Book."

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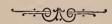
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Make Him your guide; you do not want any other. He has said, "I will teach you all things"; and, depend upon it, you will find it the shortest course to pursue.

You say you have little time to read; you have from six to eight every morning. I own it is not pleasant to flesh and blood; but, if this trouble is much, the corresponding growth in grace is far greater. We must not deceive ourselves; we have plenty and plenty of time duping the day for ourselves. If we aspire to walk in the power of the new life, we must cast away all hindrances, and it must cost something we really value.

We aspire to a closer and lasting communion with the living God. which is a high aspiration and needs much striving and many falls.

## Mauritius, 24 November, 1881. -

I have read the Scriptures and have got pearls from them, but as though from deduction or analogy, and not as directly from God - not as though He spoke or wrote to us.

It is difficult to explain what I mean, but what I want to say is this: I now look upon the Scriptures as alive - living oracles - and not as a historical, religious book, as I have hitherto done, even when feeling its mystical character. I cannot say how important this vista is to me. I have said that, as long as the newspaper affords one more attraction than the Bible, something must be wrong.

I believe that Christ as man, with a sinless body derived from the Holy Ghost, and to whom the Holy Ghost was given without measure, obtained all knowledge, all miracle power, and all His attributes, simply because His eyes were opened by the Scripture.

# February, 1882.

Look at the Tabernacle, a lot of wood and tapestry; nothing more; yet, with God in it, it is everything. That it is the type of every man, both actually and spiritually, I think is sure; and the solution is in the Scriptures, which are Christ. In the carnal man the Tabernacle is in ruins.

# Jaffa, 11 July, 1883.

I believe the deadness in some of the clergy is owing, firstly, to not reading the Scriptures; secondly, to not meditating over them; thirdly, to not praying sufficiently; fourthly, to being taken up with religious secular work (acts vi. 2-4).

# Jaffa, 28 September, 1883.

A natural babe refuses strong meat, it will not take it; so in like manner does a spiritual babe. When we do not know the Scriptures, we naturally do not know the tendency of certain verses; consequently, when we read any new view, we have not the knowledge of the Scriptures to fall back upon, which another, knowing them, has. There is a material study of the Scriptures necessary in order to know them, which we cannot have if we do not give the time to such actual study, which few of us do.

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In an interview vouched for by the Bible Society, General Li (Vice-President of the Republie) says:

"Missionaries are our friends. Jesus is better than Confueius and I am strongly in favor of more missionaries coming to China. We shall do all we can to assist the missionaries, and the more missionaries we induce to come here the better will the republican government of the new China be pleased. China would not be what it is today were it not for these missionaries. The time will come when the two greatest Republics, China and America, will be on the most friendly footing."

The military Governor of the Fukien Province addressed a patriotic meeting of Christians in the English church at Fuehow as follows:

"The establishment of the Republic is due to all the foreign teachers coming from afar across the deep ocean to open the understanding of our people. It is due as well to

all the members of your honorable Church, who, following the public good and observing the laws, have upheld the cause of education so that righteousness is exalted in every place. The believers have set an example so that there need never be another overturning but the government be established. Moreover, we hope that all the believers of your honorable churches can establish harmonious relationship with the authorities whether in eity or country, and together enjoy the happiness of religious liberty."

The military Governor of the Province of Yuinnan addressed the assembled adherents of a China Inland Mission station, saying:

"The greatest religion in the world is the religion of Jesus Christ. Before long the Christian religion will be the religion of our China."

"Our Chinese religions, Buddhism and Taoism crown our hills with temples but do nothing for the people in the cities at their feet. The Christian religion fills our cities with schools and hospitals which minister to the needs of our inhabitants."

in the building of our Union University. Sun Yat Sen says in his book "Kidnapped in London":

"My despair was complete and only by prayer to God could I gain any comfort. Still the dreary and still more dreary nights wore on, and but for the comfort afforded me by prayer, I believe I should have gone mad . . . There came over me a feeling of calmness, of hopefulness and confidence that assured me my prayer was heard."

"Men say that the revolution originated with me. I do not deny the charge. But where did the idea of the revolution come from ? It came because from my youth I have had intercourse with foreign mission aries. Those from Hurope and America with whom I associated put the ideals of freedom and liberty into my heart. Now I call upon the church to help in the establishment of the new government. The republic cannot endure unless there is that virtue, the righteousness for which the Christian religion stands, at the center of the nation's life." (Sun Yat Sen.)

"I have been much engaged in the pursuit of my occupation and hither-to have had little opportunity to study the doctrine you preach, but since the revolution, in my official position, I have come into contact with those of my countrymen who sincerely follow your faith. I have found them men of their word, loyal and faithful, men of high purpose and thoroughly to be relied on. I feel that I must, too, become a

The Chinese Republic is established. Dr. H.G. Morrison, the well known newspaper correspondent, now a representative of the Chinese Government, writes:

'The Chinese Republic is an accomplished fact. After a revolution characterized by a rapidity, peacefulness and moderation unique in the long history of the world, the oldest monarchy on earth has become the youngest republic.'

A missionary of twenty years' standing writes; 'Are the people of China ready for a Republican form or government? The masses are quite amenable under any stable rule. If the educated and enlightened are fired with patriotism and seek the elevation of the nation, the common people will follow gladly. Making every allowance for the selfishness and cupidity of many who rise to power, there is a momentum toward patriotism, altruism and useful

service under the present democracy which would have seemed beyond hope a year ago.

A physician from Hunan writes;
'Our work has nearly doubled since
the Revolution, and it was large
before. Schools are opening. The book
sales are five times greater than
before the Revolution. Our hope is
that we shall be able to put up
buildings fast enough to accommodate
patients in the hospitals and

scholars in the schools.

At Kachek, Hainan, the last communion service was the largest the station ever had; four hundred were present. The church is one large Bible School, the classes of which consist of groups of Christians settled throughout the country, holding daily meetings and studying some book of the Bible.

Rev. A.A. Fulton, for twenty-five years a missionary in Southern China, writes; 'Verily, the changes that I have seen since I first started for old China are miracles enough for me. In every chapel we meet crowds. The problem now is to get buildings which will seat communicants and inquirers.'

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# Crisis and Opportunity in China

## A Message to Western Friends from the Rev. Y. S. Tom, Moderator of the Church of Christ in China

The Chinese Church is greatly indebted to the "Older Churches," who in turn received the gospel from still older churches, for the help they have given to China for

the last 127 years. It is love and devotion to our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ, that has constrained you in these acts of devotion to his cause. We have striven on our part, when and where we can, to carry on the work for ourselves. But our Church in

China is young. We still lack the means to make it possible to have highly qualified persons to lead us forward.

We Chinese Christians are striving

- 1. To put forth more effort to keep the work going.
- To study the work to see where savings can be made with the least harm to the cause.

- 3. To try and get more volunteer service.
- 4. Only as a last resort will any piece of work that is functioning be cut off.

The "cuts" come at just the

time when there are unsurpassed opportunities open to the Christian Church. The gospel preaching is eagerly listened to. The rural communities and the large cities need our service. Christians have little good literature to help them grow in Christian life.



Rev. Y. S. Tom, Moderator

Then, too, our Nation is faced with dangers from social unrest, invasion of armies, and a more subtle invasion of modern evils and communistic propaganda. Who is sufficient for these things? We crave your prayers, and your continued help and support. Thus together we may carry forward the work committed to us by our common Lord and Master.

Y. S. Tom.

## South China Mission and the Kwangtung Synod

Ninety years ago the Presbyterian Church began its work in the South China Mission. A prominent Chinese layman, speaking lately at the dedication of a new day school in Canton, recounted something of what Christianity had done during those ninety years—health, medicine, care of the blind, the insane, the leper, social service, and the preaching and teaching of the gospel of Christ—and asked, "Would you, as citizens of Canton, wish to do away with these?" The answer from a thousand or more persons present at the meeting was, "No!"

The record of ninety years shows also how the Chinese Christians themselves have come not only to share, but to assume responsibility. South China has reached the second stage in its development of mission work—that is, the Chinese Christian forces and the Mission work together in the church and the institutions established.

The Kwangtung Synod, which includes Canton, is one of the strongest of the sixteen synods of the Church of Christ in China. It has a force of 256 full-time workers, more than half of whom are in the 36 self-supporting churches, and many of the others partly supported by the 160 churches not yet fully self-supporting. More than half the synod's communicant membership of 19,507 are in the 36 self-supporting churches. Last year the contributions made by the churches were more than twice the amount of the grants in aid given by the six cooperating missions.

## Missions and Church Cooperating

The missions, cooperating with the synod, work through the Chinese Church. They assign missionaries at the request of the Church, who are on the same basis as the Chinese workers.

The project method of development is used. When an individual church needs money, and is unable to cope with the situation itself, it presents to the synod a description of the plan—carrying out an evangelistic campaign or other project—with an estimate of the time and money necessary for it. Grants in aid are made upon approval, with a plan also for reducing the amount of the annual appropriation. The funds thus released are then used for new work.

#### The Tasks

The tasks thus far undertaken by the synod have been largely evangelistic. The Christians must be trained and developed into self-supporting churches. The still greater task is to reach the vast unevangelized population of the province. For every one Chinese Christian, there are nearly a thousand who are not Christians. The synod carries on a large and varied program of work: evangelism, education, medicine, health promotion, literature, Christian religious education, special work for women, Christianizing the home, and rural church work. Special work for students in government schools is a promising field. New conditions, new problems, and new approaches are developing all the time. Having carried on for ninety years, shall we now in their hour of need fail them?

#### Political Stability

#### Dr. C. Y. Cheng, Stated Clerk and General Secretary of the Church of Christ in China, Sounds a Hopeful Note

Politically China is still overshadowed by both internal and external problems. It seems to us that God has made a beautiful world for man, but he does not always know how to properly live in it! We hope and pray that the day is not far off when love and peace will reign supreme in the hearts of men. In the midst

of national depression and distress, however, we are happy to note that our Government is becoming more and more stable and strong. We believe that in all these things God's hand is evident, and, through the instrumentality of those who have the love of God and men in their hearts, will be able to stabilize the Nation and will lead the people to move forward.

## Missionary Personnel

The Christian work in China has lost heavily in foreign workers. In 1924 our Board had 554 missionaries on the field; in China today there are only 400 left. Other boards, with few exceptions, have lost even more heavily. Some stations and projects have had to be closed up, some have been taken care of by Chinese trained leaders, some by transfers and combination with other Christian bodies. The minimum of safety for effective work has been reached. In a time of great opportunity and tremendous need we are forced to cut our appropriations and reduce our missionary force. At a time when the call is for ADVANCE shall we retreat?

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## Dr. Koo Reveals The New China

riental Lecturer Describes Some of the Changes That Have Followed the Over-throw of the Monarchy

W.A.Ross, a missionary worker, as follows:

"We do not recall a time when th and the work that Christ is doing in time. And we do not recall a time wh and spiritual work. We are not bli affecting our work, and we do not kno but as we look back over the year whi the Cross hold the centre, and whatev serious, now in the perspective of the ground. There is beyond a doubt a This was sensed in the meeting of the more keenly felt in the Convention in all of the Evangelical Churches in Mo fellowship and prayer; again in Sept of Mexico met in annual gathering, th rising spiritual tide. In many other emphasis has been placed on Bible stu noted. Prayer bands are springing up the last letter some matters of church over by local authorities in one of concern. The Federal Government has Church."

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#### Documents from some intellectuals of Brazil

From a letter to Prof.Erasmo braga, by an intellectual 66 brazil, a member of the Academy of Letters of the State of Rio:

"Good citizens, members of the well deserving group to which you belong, are sowing, on fertile soil as well as dry ground, the noble ideas that work for a high morality.

Such a great task, undertaken with a large vision, is a firm foundation upon which may be built, or better, re-constructed those many things we are now lacking, which neylect has destroyed and lamentable perversions have corrupted.

Go on, my brave countryman, to every valley far and wide casting the seed to the favoring winds. The fruits shall come, as they always do, when heaven is on the watch and bestows divine blessings on the bands whose labor is moved by a faith which commands loving affort in response to the cravings of the land.

A graduate from the Normal School of S. Faulo writes:

"I cannot say that I have a definite religious attitude. I attend Protestant services and homan Catholic ceremonies, when new or renowned preachers come to the town where I live. ky family is un-churched, as a large number of Brazilian families are now — they are tired of an old oult, which has lost its grip on us, and have drifted away, carried to and fro by social currents of every description. Faith is on the wane; mcrality has withered.

I read my Bible, when I need consolation and guidance -- this is my great lext-book on Ethics."

"apostle of temperance" in brazil, said:

I am myself a Roman-catholic, but all of you, who preach sincerely and in earnest, have an enormous task. You may, if you will work with true devotion, save this generation which having lost confidence in the doctrines of the dominant church, may be compared to sailors from a sunken ship, grasping for straw and chips of wood with which to save their lives. This is the reason why superstition and mysterious cults are so popular among us".

#### THE LATIN VIEW

The other day a suggestion was made that the views of Latin-Americans be ascertained with regard to American efforts to gain good will among the Republics of the Latin blood. A recent speech of J. M. Bejarano, Secretary of the Mexican Chamber of Commerce in New York, is stated to be typical of the views held in these countries.

Mr. Bejarano said: "The Latin-American people fear that the United States has no other than business interest in the countries. Least danger to this expansion of American sales lies in the anxiety of the people to control power, and the disturbances which may arise there-from. These three factors should be weighed.

As to investment, the early investments of France and Great Britain resulted in personal ties, and the investors reaped profit in dividends cheerfully paid for service rendered. At a dozen Latin-American points the Englishman found a slum and left a city, and on plantations he made two blades of grass grow where one had grown before. The modern investments of the United States, backed by home government, are loans to governments, and their nature is such as not to bring the nations concerned an inch closer to the United States, in friendship and understanding.

That is why Calles invited to Mexico "capital with a concience." The people in the United States must heed the awakening of the consciousness of the man of the masses in Latin America. Mexico is taking a leading part in the ideas that represent this awakening. And let me suggest that, without detriment to the activities of the Pan American Union as a political liaison among Pan America and without detriment to the Pan American Commercial Congress as a business tie amongst our countries, we pay earnest attention to the unconceited, modest and more or less tentative activities of a group to which Dr. Samuel Guy Inman belongs and which represents the tendency to create and develop spiritual, intellectual and social intercourse between the peoples north and south of the Rio Grande, with the aim in view of making out of the men and women who populate the three Americas what a Mexican thinker has called the "Cosmic Race" of the future.

# An Open Letter To Christian Brethren Throughout The World

Dear Brethren:

In the name of our Common Lord, Greetings:

We realize that the outbreak of the present Sino-Japanese Conflict has caused you much concern and great anxiety, and we wish to express our deep appreciation for your sympathy.

Believing that God is the only righteous judge, we have doubted the wisdom of our indulging in much discussion about the present controversy. Now however that the situation has become increasingly tense, and friends abroad are so greatly concerned as to ask us to give our interpretation we wish, in response to this request, to write frankly and supply some information upon which to base a fair judgment. Morever we consider it a privilege of our Christian fellowship, at this time of trial, to request your incessant prayer for the establishment of enduring peace in the Far East.

It is needless to say that we Japanese Christians are not behind the Christians of other lands in our yearning for peace and the welfare of mankind. Moreover it is unnecessary to stress the fact that there is no one who does not deplore the tragedy of war. Yet arguments along mere idealistic lines will not solve actual problems. We must deal with each particular case after a realistic investigation of the facts.

For many years it has been the common and united prayer of the Christians as well as the earnest desire of the leaders of both Japan and China that these two nations might be able to cultivate peaceful relations, find a basis for mutual help and common prosperity, and enjoy enduring peace in the Orient. Contrary to our desire however incident has followed incident during these years. These incidents have caused us much anxiety and have tended to alienate the two nations.

Conscious of our Christian duty to promote mutual understanding and fellowship between the two nations, at least among the Christians, we sent a deputation last May to confer with Chinese Christian leaders. They too were moved by a similar desire and we came to a common agreement as to certain methods for promoting understanding and goodwill. Together we were on the point of carrying out these plans when to our great regret the North China incident suddenly broke out and shattered our hopes.

Yet as set forth in the statement of our Government, we still hoped for a peaceful solution of the situation and urged the churches throughout the country to make this an object of prayer. Unfortunately the state of affairs has grown worse and worse until it has reached the present stage. You can easily conjecture the sense of pain and concern which possesses us Christians these days.

Realizing the seriousness of the situation and the importance of each particular incident we have not stood aloof but with deep concern have counseled our Christian leaders to investigate the truth regarding the origin and development of both the North China and the Shanghai incidents. We believe that our governmental authorities, military as well as civil, tried their best to adhere to a non-aggravation policy and exercised the utmost patience even at the expense of strategic advantages.

In Shanghai our Consul General appealed to the Foreign Diplomatic Corps requesting them to discharge the responsibility resting upon them as witnesses of the Truce Agreement drawn up in 1932 and to see that the Chinese troops observed the treaty, but in vain. The situation thus developed from bad to worse until it induced the present terrible state of war. This development was and is deeply regretted both by our authorities and by our people at large.

Now however it is almost useless to discuss superficially which side is responsible for the outbreak of these incidents. Peculiar conditions exist there. Garrisons of several countries are stationed in these areas. There are various treaties between the two countries defining their rights. The situation being thus seriously complicated and involved in long historical background, it cannot be dealt with through hasty judgment. Neither can we deal with the situation as comprised of isolated incidents of a temporary nature, which suddenly occurred in the territory of another country.

Ever since the country was opened to foreign trade, Japan has been anxious to establish the security of the Far East against the aggressive policy of some Western powers. As a result of this she has been forced to fight at various times—greatly endangering her national destiny—in areas centering around China. This has involved great sacrifice. Yet the Japanese people, always mindful of their indebtedness to China's cultural influence throughout many hundreds of years of their mutual history, have as a rule tried to hold to a good neighbor policy. The government and people alike helped a great deal in the establishment of the New China under the influence of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

It is a most grievous fact that unhappy incidents, occurring one after another, have interrupted the friendly relations between these two neighboring nations. This evergrowing tendency drove them at last to the breaking point and brought about the present most unfortunate situation.

We find ourselves all but helpless as we face this inevitable historical development. It is with a sense of anguish that we find ourselves unable to do anything other than await adjudication and judgment from above.

Japan has been obliged to adopt this most undesirable measure of self-defence because of her belief that the arti-Japanese national policy of the Nanking government on the one hand a policy utilized as a means of consolidating that nation, and China's policy of cooperating with Communism with its anti-religious materialism on the other hand, directly threaten her national foundation and endanger her very existence. Japan has also been forced to realize anew that under the conditions which obtain at present in international relations the loss of her acquired vantage ground in the Far East would be a calamity which the nation could not survive. It has therefore become the firm conviction of the Japanese people as a whole that the nation must be ready to pay the price and make the sacrifice in order to defend the country and to live.

Nevertheless it is the peace of the Far East and the common prosperity of China and Japan which are the desire and final goal not only of us Christians but also of the general public and of the government. It is an obvious fact that the Japanese people have no feeling of enmity whatever toward the Chinese, many of whom are living undisturbed and peacefully within the Japanese Empire even at the present time.

We deeply deplore the fact that numerous tragedies have occurred in the course of the fighting in China. Such tragedies are inevitable in modern warfare. We do not believe that our troops have purposely made non-combatants objects of attack. It is very difficult to get at the real facts and it is quite natural, especially for those being in the midst of the turmoil of actual operations, to be moved by all kinds of rumors. It is obviously too much to ask that they remain quiet and see the whole truth.

The present unfortunate condition of conflict between the two countries must be restored to normal and friendly relationship as soon as possible. We can bear witness to the fact that it is the earnest hope and expectation of our people that we may be ready to give hearty cooperation and full support to the work of the reconstruction of China, whenever such help is needed. We Christians especially should be constructive in our thinking and in our efforts to influence others in bringing about such a state of affairs.

We firmly believe the time will soon come when we should cooperate with the Chinese Christian leaders in our common task of carrying out our mission of redemption and salvation.

Most sincerely do we hope that Christian leaders throughout the world, including China, will quietly and carefully study this very complicated situation, and avoid the passing of hasty judgment based on emotions aroused by temporary, isolated and unhappy occurrences so that, with a broad outlook and far reaching insight, they may be able to help discover the way out of this crisis.

It is a matter of profound regret that the present complicated international situation has arisen largely because of the failure of the Christian forces to apply the teachings of Christ to the thought-life and culture of contemporary minds and to secure their realization in practice.

We Christians bear a common responsibility and should humble ourselves before God because of our inability and our inaction. The result is that these two nations, which should be real brothers, have been plunged into this terrific sacrifice, a sacrifice common to both sides.

We are striving to meet the present crisis in such a way that things may work out to the glory of God, and we earnestly desire that blessing may come out of this calamity. We would humbly avail ourselves of the guidance of the Holy Spirit that we may learn the lesson which God would teach the human race through this tragedy.

Most sincerely do we request the earnest prayer of our fellow Christians throughout the world for the hastening of the coming of His Kingdom in the Far East.

#### Most respectfully yours,

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(Signed)	
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#### DISEASE HAS NO FRONTIERS

Raymond B. Fosdick, president of the Rockefeller Foundation, made an unanswerable point against one species of isolationism in his address in this city at the conference of the American Public Health Association. Mr. Fosdick said we could no longer be indifferent to health conditions in China. where there is one hospital for each 700,000 persons, and one well-trained physician for each 70,000. In this country we have a hospital for each 22,500 persons, and a physician for each 750. In China and India, and in several other regions, disease can breed and kill as it cannot here. Under modern conditions, as Mr. Fosdick said, there arises "the problem of trying to maintain a healthy life for ourselves and our children side by side with disease as rampant as it is in China." Despite every possible precaution, our fighting forces in the Orient cannot be kept free of oriental sicknesses. With greatly increased speed and volume of travel, the difficulty of keeping these sicknesses out of the occidental world, or even keeping them down, will increase. A world health organization must inevitably be attached to any world peace organization.

War creates conditions in which disease flourishes. It impoverishes vast populations, destroys sanitary systems and controls, degrades human life wherever it passes. In a sense, war itself is a disease and its effects resemble those of a group of epidemics turned loose in the world. If cholera, plague, typhus or malaria do not respect political boundaries, neither, in these days, does war. To isolate disease we must stop isolating the disease-fighting forces of the world. We cannot do this long or successfully if the world continues to be threatened by war. The world-wide medical front has to be part of a world-wide anti-war front. Until this end is achieved, China and other countries will not get their needed doctors and hospitals, nor will we in this country be safe.

Dr. Thomas R. Niven, of First Presbyterian Church, Omaha, Nebraska, preached a sermon on the new soldier with a new first-hand vision of the Church at work around the world. After the service, a bombardier back from more than fifty missions, pressed three twenty-dollar bills into an usher's hand. "Give this to the treasurer of the church," he said, "and tell him that's what I think of the missionary work of

On a Sunday morning in mid-July,

hand. "Give this to the treasurer of the church," he said, "and tell him that's what I think of the missionary work of the Church." His furlough was over the following Monday, but before he left Dr. Niven talked with him. This is what the airman said: "I believe that there is only one institution on the face of the earth that can do something about healing a broken world, and that's the Church!"

## They Discover the Church\*

### If the Missionary had not gone before—what then?

#### SOUTH PACIFIC

"The 'reservoir of friendliness,' to borrow a One World phrase, created by the missionary has been an important factor in the success of the military operations in the South Pacific. The natives have rescued countless fliers forced down at sea. They have fed and sheltered and befriended scores of survivors off sunken ships. This amazing and heart-warming friendliness of the natives will receive its due recognition in the account of the ultimate victory.

"So foreign mission activity got the United Nations some effective allies; therefore, it has been a good thing is that what I am saying? No, of course not.

"It is what the gospel of Jesus Christ has done for these Melanesian natives, who up until a comparatively recent date were a warlike, savage, and primitive people. Cannibalism and head-hunting were common practices among them. Their tatooed and disfigured faces and bodies and the spears and war clubs that many of them still carry are vestiges of the savagery and the darkness from which they have been so recently delivered.

"'What has Christ brought to you?' I have asked them. I have received several answers to that question. None was quite as eloquent as that single word which came from the lips of a grizzled, somewhat fiercevisaged, old jungle veteran seated on the ground in the rear of the native building in which we were holding our meeting. 'Light!' was his answer.

"In our midweek prayer meeting and discussion group I asked our sailors whether this duty overseas had awakened foreign mission interest in the men. Everyone present agreed that it had. Two of the men went even further: they had begun seriously to consider offering themselves as missionaries when the war is over."

-A Chaplain.

#### **NEW GUINEA**

"A few weeks ago a small party of us were selected to go on a week's hike through the interior of the place in which we are at present. It was the first chance we had to observe the natives in the tropics under normal conditions. Most were living in the primitive way in which they had always lived with the exception of having ceased the practice of cannibalism. They were nothing extra, pretty lazy, not overclean, and with a well-developed commercial sense.

"After several days of marching over a good-sized mountain range, we came down to a village of a totally

different sort. Years ago this village had been visited by a Church of England missionary who had been successful in his calling, for this settlement was a great improvement over what we had seen. The hub of everything was a church built of split bamboo with a thatched roof. A native clergyman was in charge, and he spoke fairly good English. The village was clean and neat as a pin. Every night just before sunset the bell would toll and all the natives would file into the church for evening services.

"We attended a service the following morning. It was the regular service, so far as I could see, with Communion, though I couldn't understand a word of the language. It was all from memory, the only printed matter in the church being the Bible. They could really size."

-An American Sergeant.

#### OCCUPIED CHINA

"A group of Japanese headed by the leading medical officer of an army unit came for one of their frequent inspection tours. The superintendent, a second-generation Christian, with twenty years' service, was given instructions as to certain changes advisable in the hospital. The Chinese doctor replied that these changes could easily be effected, but there were certain things about the institution which could not be altered. First and foremost,' said he, 'is the Christian program. Our doctors and nurses and workers do not spend their leisure in attending parties in the city, are not given to dancing and gambling, but find deep enjoyment and rest in our religious services and exercises; we give outlet to our emotions in praise and worship of God. This is something which may not be changed.' While the Japanese leader seemed unimpressed, a junior officer interjected, 'Yes, I understand. My mother is a Christian."

-An American Doctor.

#### IRAN

"Needless to say, a soldier so far from home is often a victim of homesickness and anxiety for those at home. A visit to the Mission—a chance to talk with 'home folks' again in the atmosphere of an American home—is a sure cure for soldiers' blues. Such close association with the missionaries has revealed a story for us all that heretofore was only half understood and certainly for most of us a story in which we were only mildly interested. Sunday afternoons with the Mission children were always a treat. I am most thankful for the opportunity to see at first hand the marvelous work

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In INDIA Christianity has a tremendous appeal for the Untouchables (the lowest and most degraded of the cases) occause it gives them the right to be persons, to go to school, to develop into people of importance. As a result the temptation to become a member of the Christian church primarily because of the advantages it offers is very great. Many solutions of the characteristic of the footened and the characteristic of the footened and the characteristic of the footened and the characteristic of the c

the Christian church primarily because of the advantages it offers is very great. Many solutions have been suggested. One of the finest was put into effect by a group of Christians from the *chamar* of leatherworking caste. They set up a seven-point standard which every candidate for church membership was required to meet before he was accepted.

1. He must prove that he had broken with his former caste rules and religion by eating in public with the member of another caste within the Christian group. (Thus breaking the most binding of caste laws.)

He must learn to read, so that he could read his Bible and thus come to know and understand its teachings.

3. He must conduct daily devotions in his home, thus proving to his family that he meant to be a Christian.

4. He must attend all services of worship in his local church.

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5. He must be a member of a class in which he studies church doctrine, etc., in

order to know what the church teaches.

6. He must tithe, even though it be only a few grains of wheat or produce from his

a few grains of wheat or produce from his land in place of cash.

7. He must win at least one person to Christ.

When he has fulfilled these specifications, he may become a member of the Christian church—and not until then.

During the month of June Allied air forces of this area have sunk or severely damaged 164,800 tons of enemy shipping in blockade of all southern sea lanes, have destroyed

air forces of this area have sunk or severely damaged 164,800 tons of enemy shipping in blockade of all southern sea lanes, have destroyed forty-five enemy planes, have flown 21,435 sorties and have dropped over 18,500 tons of bombs in support of ground operations.

This brings totals for the first six months of this year to 2,252,000 tons of enemy shipping sunk or severely damaged, 1,265 enemy planes destroyed, 135,062 sorties flown by our planes and over 88,500 tons of bombs dropped by our air forces in support of ground operations.

This has entailed air coverage of a vast triangular expanse of land and sea stretching from Nanking and Shanghai on the Yangtze River southward over 2,500 miles past Slingapore to Java, thence eastward more than 3,000 miles to Bougain-ville in the Solomon Islands.

JAPAN

Elements of our air forces which played so large a part in the battle of the Philippines are now operating from toward bases against Japan itself. Formations of fighters and bombers swept the western coast of Kyushu without interception, destroying three enemy float planes at Fukoka. against of fight-e western

Our night fighters and heavy re-connaissance units continued the destruction of enemy war Industries on Formosa, striking the Nanto sugar refinery on the west-central coast and destroying several build-ings of the Rato manganese plant near Giran in the northeast portion of the island.

ASIATIC COAST

Long-range search planes to the Canton area started several fires in the Honan arms plant and demolished buildings, while in southeast Indo-China enemy water and land transport and a highway bridge were damaged.

In a five-mile drive along the coastal highway, units of the Sev enth Australian Division secured Manggar, airstrip, thirteen mile

menth Australian Division secured Manggar airstrip, thirteen miles east of Balik Papan. Other Australian forces advancing steadily inland penetrated enemy defenses in the Pandansari oil refinery. Land and carrier-based aircraft ground operations and hit enemy rear bases. One of our planes was lost. Night fighters downed one of two enemy reconnalssance planes over Balik Papan. A single enemy plane ineffectively raided the Brunel Bay area.

EAST INDIES

Bombers in support of our opera-tions at Balik Papan continued neu-traliation of enemy airfields in the Celebes and eastern Java. Air and naval patrols in the Halmaheras destroyed enemy watercraft and shore facilities. NEW GUINEA-BISMARCKS-SOLOMONS

Australian ground forces have counted an additional 1,175 enemy dead and captured twenty-seven in operations on New Guinea, Bougain-

#### RUSSIANS ATTACK VATICAN

Declare Pope Sought a New Anti-Soviet Cordon Sanitaire

MOSCOW, July 5 (P)—An article n the New Times magazine today aid "people have seen the Pope not on the side of the fighters

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of this country and of the world self-governing peoples. should not feel that ratification of the Charter would automatically insure the peace. That can be obtained, he said, only through continuous consultation and cooperation of the nations.

#### Proposes an American Policy

To attain this he proposed this cant from the start. program for American policy:

complete victory over Japan.

3. That we accept responsibilities jurisdiction." of participating in world leader-

4. That we consider the future

ing of other peoples.

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ity of the world.

7. That those who were aggres-

8. That we foster freedom of in-our Government.

9. That we support the new

to undermine it.

12. That through it all we constantly emphasize and recognize the basic dignity of man and his bearing upon the unusual support met the challenge of war. the pursuit of happiness.

#### Charter "For a Living World"

STASSEN ASSERTS provision for changes and declared that it would provide "an instrunot enforce its rulings. mentality for a continuing, con- He also noted that the Bill of

"This is the principle," he sald, the sea. "that the whole world is entitled to know what is happening to the men and women and children in all the first time, will not be fully and suddenly realized, but it is signifi-

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welfare and peace of America as in detail the necessity for publicity without a single reservation it will inseparably entwined with that of and information upon international in the final vote receive the unanithe men and women of the world, questions. He said that measures mous support of the United States as 5. That we remain strong in our should be taken to curb citizens Senate. The United States was domestic economy and that we use who deliberately and carelessly re-unanimous in its declaration of our strength to contribute to the peat or publish half-truths which war. I hope it can be unanimous may injure our relations with any in its declaration for a just and one of the United Nations.

But, he said, our policy should

World Court and at an early date clusion of the San Francisco Con-with the British Empire, world World Court and at an early date clusion of the San Francisco Con-with the British Empire, world accept its obligatory jurisdiction ference," he said, "to the fact that trade with the Soviet Union, the 10. That we take the position during the last half of the confer-fluture development of the Panthat the world is entitled to know ence at least, either through direct American Union, human rights what is happening to dependent release or through their enterpris-11. That we protect our demo-America and of the world attained tration of Germany cratic system from outside efforts an unusual degree of accuracy and an unusual degree of accuracy and "May these United States of of promptness in reporting the America," he exclaimed, "meet the course of the deliberations.

result in the United States."

Charter, Commander Stassen noted its new responsibilities to mankind The Charter was drafted, he the varying extremes of voting and its new opportunities for mansaid, "not for a world standing procedure, the fact that submission kind."

still optional instead of compulsory He pointed out that it contains and that the Economic and Social

structive approach to the under-lying causes of economic warfare out" in exact terms and that the and injustice which impede the mutual assistance pacts of Europe progress and threaten the peace were not brought under the organization's jurisdiction to the de-Another great advance he noted sirable degree. He deplored that He said that it was immensely in the principle underlying the the organization would not have important, though, that the people chapters on trusteeship of non-direct jurisdiction over airways in direct jurisdiction over airways ln the future nor over gateways to

#### Asks Prompt Ratification

But these weaknesses, he said, parts of the world. We recognize should not prevent a prompt and that this great principle, stated for unanimous ratification of the Charter, because they could be revised and remedied in time. He said that "The United States should take the Charter represented a com-That we follow through to the lead by sending to the new promise of viewpoints, but that the organization, within the limits of American delegates in their dis-2. That we not only ratify the Charter but give the new organization, within the limits of American delegates in their dissecurity considerations, full inforcussions "never yielded to anyone mation as to health and mortality on any basic principle of this counrepresentative broad powers to act unit right the President's approval. now or hereafter come under, its he would vote against it.

"I hope," Commander Stassen declared, "that not only will the Charter obtain the necessary two-Commander Stassen discussed thirds ratification but that in fact

lasting peace. ments for the use of armed forces be conducted with a maximum of many world problems now needing direct information, and, except for special attention, including the military security, the American Japanese surrender terms, the repeople should be promptly in-building of Europe, the Near East sors shall be stripped of the means to make war.

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Roosevelt Urges Congress to Act on Cultural Program Suggested by Stettinius

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Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29-A request for authority to broaden the cultural relations activities of the there. State Department to cover the world, instead of restricting them. as at present, to Latin America, China and a few other countries, in order to meet war and especially Congress by President Roosevelt

Secretary of State. At the same time, the President be extended. requested legislative authority to appoint two more assistant secretaries of State, making six such assistants to cope with wartime and post-war problems. Secretary Hull recently stated that this authority would be requested in view of the growing burden of work on the State Department.

Some Limitations Outlined

the authority requested with re-the world. spect to cultural relations did not The program, Mr. Stettinius fur- United States.

contemplate expanding the Office ther said, would be of "in of Coordinator of Inter-American benefit, at this time, in 1 Affairs to cover the whole world groundwork on which th nor was it proposed to give to Nel- nent post-war structure son A. Rockefeller, the coordina-erected as well as in me tor, any expanded powers on a urgent current needs of

At present, since some of his The legislation, as pro functions were drawn back into the State Department, v the State Department through the horize the President to recent reorganization, Mr. Rocke- and maintain, under the feller is disseminating information of the Secretary of St. in Latin America, and assisting in cultural and cooperative public health

world-wide scale.

on a world-wide basis would be under the direction of one agency, but within the State Department. While the authority would cover along lines already emp post-war problems was made to the war period, Mr. Stettinius indicated that the post-war period today on the recommendation of was primarily the one under con-Edward R. Stettinius rJ., Acting sideration. It was not yet known to what countries this work would

Post-War Program Involved

At present, it has been carried other types of cultural p on in Latin America, China and, and the use of motion pic to a limited degree, in South presenting the story of t Africa, Canada and Switzerland try to the rest of the wo through educative and informa- Also involved would be tional films.

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Albert Edward Wiggam has said: "Thirty billion persons have been born since the dawn of recorded history. Of these only 5,000 ever amounted to much, and of the 5,000 supermortals, less than 200 have been women." If one must be a "supermortal" to "amount to much," the great masses of us are indeed doomed to failure. But one can be great and do a great work in a very small place. Failure to get honorable mention on the pages of history in no way indicates an insignificant or unsuccessful life. Much, if not most, of the basic work of the world takes place behind the scenes, far from the eyes or the ears of the public. Yea, it can be shown that the achievements of Dr. Wiggam's 5,000 supermortals depended, in the last analysis, upon the faithfulness of the 29,999,995,000 mortals who are not supposed to have "amounted to much." Is it greater to have been Edison or his mother, who taught him when his schoolteachers gave him up as a very unpromising prospect? Is it greater to have been Henry Ward Beecher or the little schoolteacher to whom he gave all the credit for his influential ministry? Is it greater to have been George Washington or the privates in his army who stayed on the job until the colonies achieved their freedom? Is it greater to have been a noted musician or the laborers who produced the money without which the musician would have had no leisure time for composing music?

A twelve-year-old school girl in Alabama wrote the following essay

on "True Greatness":

"A person can never get True Greatness by trying for it. It is nice to have good clothes, it makes it a lot easier to act decent, but it's a sign of true greatness to act when U have not got them just as good as if U had. Once there was a woman who had done a big washing & hung

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### What Iesus Does for Me

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E shows me the possibility and duty of a man as to his character and his service.

In the effort to attain this for myself, He does for me what I know I cannot do for myself, and what I have never found any friend, however dear, able to do for me.

He gives me a clearer moral vision and the courage to try to live by that vision.

He gives me the desire to work in the world as intensely as He worked.

He kindles me, when I grow sluggish or indifferent, to a positive and aggressive antagonism to evil within and without.

He gives me confidence in the truth and so helps me to rest, no matter what happens in the world, because I know that God and the truth must prevail.

He counterbalances, as I cannot, the variable circumstances and unequal conditions of life, and takes care of the excesses that are beyond me.

He gives me grace and strength to try, at least, things that I know are impossible,

and to attempt, first of all, the things are hardest to be done.

He helps me to refuse to do good who know that something better can be d

He helps me to keep on when I have to, though I know I cannot.

He saves me from the fret and killing of p and vanity, and helps me to cease to for the things that make people sick.

He helps me to keep the central things and not to be fogged and broken dow the accessories and secondary things.

He gives me a new and inward living ciple by His life and His resurrection.

He reveals as sin my difference from the I see in Him; He forgives it and deals it and all that it involves by His cross

Lastly, I believe that He is Himself the ciple of life and that there is another sonality in me that would not be there had not been for Him and if it were not Him today.

Robert E. Sp

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ently providential," writes Dr. Mackay, "that I dared not say i

The last of Dr. Mackay's five lectures at Puebla was on "F erence for Life," in which he "brought his audience face to with Jesus Christ, the author of the only saving ethical princ which humanity has ever known. The unusual attitude of audience, which was representative of all classes in the commun

from elegantly dressed ladies and gentlemen to workers in tl

overalls, deeply impressed the Mayor and the platform pa The following morning I was officially received by the town co cil as a guest of honor and was handed an inscribed parchment remembrance of my visit to Puebla." Under the leadership of Julio Navarro Monzo there has b developed in Buenos Aires a "Cultural Center for Religious vestigation" where a group of professional people, university s dents and others have been invited to join in seeking for fu religious truth. Art, science, philosophy, history, psychology a sociology are all to have place in this program, along with spirit retreats and meetings for meditation and prayer. This enterpr its religious life through its own national genius.

is backed by the Association for Christian Coöperation, organization recently with Rufus M. Jones as President and Charles J. Ew. as Executive Secretary, and has developed out of the conviction its supporters that each nation should be encouraged to expr

During this past summer the Secretary of the Committee on (

type, a prayer of which the following is a brief extract: "O God, in the dark and critical hours of humanity, our troubled

spirits turn to Thee, who, two thousand years ago didst say 'I am the Way, the Truth, the Life.' "Civilizations that expect to live without Thee, believing them-

selves, in their pride, to be immortal, disappear as the centuries roll on, leaving behind them only the magnificent ruins of a Tower of Babel as a monument of their pride. "They will fall who have built their power on the strength of

their armies! They will disappear who have made of science the divinity of their altars! They will also pass away who trust in sphinx in the dumb and melancholic immensity of the desert!

the gold and silver of their wealthy treasuries! And the happiness of which they dream outside thy law, shall remain for ever as the "Lord, come Thou and reign over us. Let it not be a mere sham of reigning like those unbridled soldiers of Pilate who hang about Thy shoulders a purple robe of pompous words or put in Thy hands the ridiculous scepter of a mocked authority or place on Thy brow a crown of thorns but who deny Thy commandments. "No, no, Lord, reign Thou over us in real truth and in the ample significance of the prayer with which thou didst teach us to invoke the advent of Thy Rule: 'Thy Kingdom come! Thy will be done!' Jesum Christum, Regem Regum, Venite, Adoremus!"

#### COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION IN LATIN AMERICA

problem, we will be able to reach many of the better class peoplesoon."

The new Ambassador from Peru to the United States, Do

Manuel de Freyre, evidently represented something of this nespiritual appreciation when he said in a recent address to the Pa American Society: "It goes without saying that business is indee a very important factor in uniting countries that live far apart... But to join men together does not necessarily mean that the will get on well together. . . Friendship, gentlemen, stands on higher plane. . . . It would not be honest to deny that certail barriers between North and South Americans do exist. . . . W should become acquainted with not only our material needs, but our spiritual needs as well. The souls of our nations should comin touch one with another. Externals are quickly seized; the higher

An important part of the work of the Committee on Coöperation in Latin America is to promote this deep kinship of the soul and at no other time have the officers of the Committee been more active in this work than during the present year.

den reactions of the mind and heart are more elusive elements.

America which included a declaration of principles, an outline the proposed constitution and a questionnaire to serve as a bas for the study of conditions bearing on the Federation. They indicated their desire for the coöperation of the Committee on Coperation financially and spiritually. They proposed another meeting of the Organizing Committee next year in Havana or Mexical Committee of the Organizing Committee next year in Havana or Mexical Committee of the Organizing Committee next year in Havana or Mexical Committee of the Organizing Committee next year in Havana or Mexical Committee of the Organizing Committee of the Organization of

City, looking forward to an enlarged meeting at Rio de Janei in connection with the World's Sunday School Convention in 193
Both the organization of these independent churches and the growth of the movement for a Federation of Latin America

Churches emphasize strongly the need of shifting from a mission centered to a church-centered cooperation.

As a contribution to this subject the Executive Secretary of the Committee has been requested by the National Council of Mex can Churches and the Boards in the United States, to make a suvey of the methods that have been used in the administration funds from North American mission boards toward the development of a self-supporting National Church in Mexico. The pu

pose of this study is to attempt to compare and evaluate the pol



### AREAS UNCLAIMED FOR CHRIST\*-II

BY ROBERT E. SPEER, D.D., New York City Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

The World's Unevangelized Desires

TET us remind ourselves, in the fourth place, of those great longings and desires in the heart of the world where Jesus must be made known. In Frazer's "The Golden Bough," there are many indications of human longing across the ages, so many of which have expressed themselves in forms similar to some that we hold most dear in our Christian faith. all these expressions of longing and desire in human hearts, we see the groping after that which only Christ can bring, the hunger for the Bread that came down out of heaven from God. As Trench would have said, these are outreachings toward "the Desire of all Nations," their unconscious desire. What are the non-Christian religions but the attempt to put into language these great longings of the hearts of men? They are questionings. The answers that the non-Christian religions have given have turned those longings back upon themselves or have trampled upon them or deadened the spiritual natures of the men of As Dr. William Newton Asia. Clarke said, they have been an incumbrance on the highest nature of man, so that thousands of men in Asia today are better than their religion. On the other hand where Christianity has gone men are inevitably inferior to their faith. Mr. Gandhi is morally superior to But what man is su-Krishna. perior to Christ?

But whatever one's judgment of the answers of the non-Christian religions may be, these answers are slowly dying out of the minds and the hearts of men. It is best expressed in a letter from Dean William Hung of the Yenching University in Northern China, where he says:

"It seems to me that we have arrived at the stage in the history of missions when it is no longer worth while for missionary leaders to study the Christian approaches to Buddhism, Confucianism, etc. The scientific study of these non-Christian religions will have historical and academic interest but it has ceased to have the same practical importance in missionary work it used to have up to twenty or even ten years ago.

"We must realize that the frontier of our missionary enterprise has changed and with it we must also change the old tactics. Too much praise cannot be given to the growth and study of comparative religions in the missionary training centers of the West. Thus prepared, the missionary movement has been enabled to deal with the non-Chris-

been enabled to deal with the non-christian more effectively.

"It is partly due to the educational activities of the Christian movement that the other religions are losing the grip they had in non-Christian lands. While Christianity is making inroads into these religions from one side, these religions are suffering a great deal more in the rear, from a group of new enemies who have advanced so far into their territory, that for all practical purposes Christianity must ignore the incapacitated older religions and think of its frontier work in forms of what it will have to do with these same new forces, scientific agnosticism, material determination, political fascism, and moral iconoclasm."

Mr. Hung refers to the educated group. The great mass is less affected, but even in the mass a change is coming, and perhaps too fast. We are facing a world where our modern secularistic interpretation of nature is standing

<sup>\*</sup> Conclusion of an address delivered at the Student Volunteer Convention, Detroit.

over against the hungry heart of the whole non-Christian world, and is saying to it, "I came not to fulfil, but to destroy." Our call is from One who is standing before that same hungry heart, and saying, "I am come that ye may have Life, Bread of Life, Water of Life. I am come not to destroy but to fulfil."

#### Churches in Non-Christian Lands

Again think of those great areas of need which call to us out of the heart of our sister Christian churches in the non-Christian world on whom the burden of the unreached world primarily rests. God has many agencies through which He works. He uses many movements and organizations of men and nations and all the forces of life. The State is one of His instruments as truly as the Church. Much of the work of building a righteous and happy world is to be done by Christians in other activities than those of the Church. While the Church must inspire, it is not meant to constitute the economic or political body of organic action. But we must recognize that the fundamental task, which is moral and spiritual, the task of destroying moral and spiritual evil, of grappling with sin, is the task of the Church. churches abroad covet and claim our larger and not our lesser help. Many times these last few years we have been told that we are not wanted any more in the missionary enterprise in the non-Christian lands, and that the Christian churches themselves desire more cooperation from us. I venture to say, deliberately, that you cannot cite one responsible or authoritative utterance of that kind from any of the Churches in the

mission field. Whoever has spoken in this way had no commission from any of these churches. know the hearts of these fellow Christians, and they know our hearts, and they know as well as we that the task is too great both for them and for us combined. So far from feeling adequate to carry out that task themselves, never was there a day when more authentic and appealing calls were coming to Christians of the West to pass across the seas to the help of our fellow Christians and our fellowmen around the world. What St. Paul saw at night, in his vision of the man of Macedonia asking his aid, is nothing to what you and I can hear by daylight from every land today.

I have here, for example, an expression of what the Congregational churches in Japan said to the American Board when several years ago it was proposed that the American Board should reduce its number of foreign missionaries in Japan. This was the authoritative reply of those churches themselves, asking that foreign missionaries stay:

"(a) Because of the great task ahead of us. The task of the evangelization of Japan is one far beyond our power of accomplishment at present, in view of the shortage of our forces. This shortage is emphasized by the duty that devolves upon us of taking the Gospel to great numbers of Koreans, Formosans and Manchurians, who are without our borders.

borders.

"(b) For the sake of world progress that will come through the opening of the civilization of the Orient. The importance of this may not be disregarded in considering the establishment of the Kingdom of God in the world. Therefore, the urgent duty of the present lies in the direction of a thorough-going Christianization of Japanese culture, which is central to the culture of the Orient.

"(c) Because of the need of a medium for continuing friendly relations between Japan and America. We believe that the work of bringing about peace on earth, no less than that of saving individuals, is one of the great tasks imposed upon Christianity, and that the missionary's opportunity in this direction at the present time is especially great."

A little over a year ago, at a conference with the Church of Christ in Japan, the largest Christian body in Japan, this was the last of the resolutions put in our hands to bring back to the Church and the students of America:

"In view of the great unoccupied areas in both city and country, especially the absolutely unevangelized condition of many millions in the smaller towns and the teaming countryside in every part of Japan, we state our fervent desire for the fullest reinforcements of the right spirit and qualifications for direct evangelism that the American Church can contribute.

"And there is need, as well, for extensive strengthening of our school staffs by the addition of trained, qualified teachers. The foreign mission era in Japan is not yet drawing to a close and any misconceptions in that regard should be dissipated and the sympathy and the prayers and the active participation of American Christians encouraged to the fullest extent possible."

For South America there is no more representative Christian man on the continent than Erasmo Braga of Brazil. Last January he said to the Foreign Missions Conference of North America: "We are asking the foreign missionary societies to increase the number of missionaries in Latin America, not for help for our churches only, but for the religious needs of the whole Spanish and Portuguese world."

One other word, one of the most persuasive, comes from our friend Dr. K. T. Paul, a brave and independent spirit in India. There is no man more possessed with a right and true national spirit for his people, nor any man more competent to go his own way in representing Christ in India. Here is his statement to the students of the

British Empire with regard to the continued need and desire of the Indian Church for all the help and cooperation they can give:

"Let there be no illusion. India is not crying out for baptism, but what has happened is a frank, manly recognition, by India, of Christ and willingness to know more about Him. It is the psychological condition for which many heroic missionaries and Indian Christians prayed and have laid down their lives, in the daily hundrum of unnoticed service. It is a clarion call to the flower of the British churches to come forth and to serve as He served.

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"The mass movements," he goes on, which the Churches of the West established demand still in their care "the lives of some of the best young men and women in the British colleges. It is a nation-building task, needing not only infinite grace and patience but also high and liberal wisdom such as will tax the best intellectual discipline of the British universities."

He proceeds to call for Western educators and says that because missionaries are devolving on the Indian Church their responsibilities it does not follow that therefore the missionaries will no longer be needed. He says:

"Their life and their service are still needed. Missionary responsibility can be discharged only through the human personalities sent out to the field. I do not know of any church in India which can entirely dispense with such a witness... We need you. We are not ashamed to own that we need you. Perhaps before the day is done you will see that you needed us too.

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"While we need you, we are not idle. We are thinking and working, too. We have nothing to offer but gratitude and friendship, still, come with your best and your choicest. We have gigantic tasks and desperately perplexing problems in our great and hoary land. Come and help us with your lives. Come for the love of Jesus Christ."

#### Unoccupied Areas in Christ

Last of all, let us remind ourselves of great areas that are waiting for you and for me today in Jesus Christ our Lord. The unoccupied fields are not all in Asia and Africa and Latin America:

there are great unoccupied fields in Jesus Christ. A friend has said, in a penetrating analysis of the religious problem that we are facing in our colleges and universities today, that there are two entirely different religions offering themselves to us under the name of Christianity. The one is the religion of a good, dead man, and the other is the religion of a good, living God. As for himself, he said he had lived and he intended to die in what the first religion regarded as the superstition of the Deity of If our Christianity is Christ. simply the religion of a good, dead man, we have all there is of it now and as the years go on it will probably shrivel and contract. It will become less and less of worth to us. There are no new areas still awaiting exploration and experience. But, if our religion, our Christianity, is a faith in a living, Divine Saviour then by the very nature of it there is room after room, range after range of knowledge and experience opening out before us today and forever.

There is need of richer and deeper and ampler conviction. Some say that all that is necessary is "the spirit of Jesus" or "His way Those are mere verbal phrases; they do not mean anything, unless there is a content to What is that content and how great is it? Who is this Jesus of whose Spirit we are speaking? What is the content and what are the sanctions of this Way of Life? What is the power by which it can be anything else than a dead metaphor and a hopeless mockery? The moment we ask ourselves the inevitable questions we are driven back on a great summons of belief. of rational and reasoned belief, on an endless quest into the riches of

the thought of God and of the mind of Christ.

There is need for a deeper and a richer experience of what Christianity is. It has become too perfunctory and conventional with us, too respectable, with too many compromises in contacts with a world forever alien and hostile to Christ. Mr. Kagawa said in Japan a year ago:

"What we need is a Christianity which will go to the poor and touch the leper. At present immorality is gaining in Japan faster than Christianity is gaining. The Christian Church both in Japan and America is spoiled by wealth and comfort and lacks courage and sacrifice. And you must lead. Japanese religion and morals and social and political ideals are all dominated by America. We need a great wave of international love and good will and religion as at the outset of Christianity. But where are the leaders? Many who ought to be the leaders are renegades. See the multitude of them in both lands, men who were in the Church and are now out of it or, if still in it, are afraid of reform and change, of warfare against drink and prostitution and all evil, of the struggle for righteousness and justice. The religious and moral forces are too respectable and tame, the Christian Church among them, and it ought to take up its cross and follow Christ. For something must happen. The vice of prostitution will kill us. Economic burdens are growing too heavy to be borne. The farmer problem is greater than labor. They are one-half of the population and 60% of them are on the edge, with the cost of living exceeding all that they can earn. Christianity could be saved."

The Christianity of the New Testament needs to be brought back today into our lives, with the old elemental simplicity of Him who actually touched lepers with His hand and who lived with the poor and told His disciples that they must take up their cross and come after Him.

There is a call to a new and a richer adventure in consecration. Last week a tablet was unveiled in New York to the memory of Dr. John Williams, who was killed in Nanking last March by the lawless elements in the Southern army. He died without arms or defense, with a smile on his face and the same love in his heart that had made him one of the dearest of all of China's friends. On the tablet there is his name and the date of his martyr's death, and beneath are the words:

"Servant of Christ and of China. It is enough for the disciple that he be as his Master."

. Is that enough for us today? How unlike our Master we are. how unlike Him in His beauty and His tenderness, His purity and His obedience; how unlike Him in that great love that led Him to lay down His life on the cross for the world.

The days of the possibility of adventurous exploration in far regions are not gone. The frontier of a new world is not far away. It is not the frontier of a new year of time alone, but the frontier of a new life of love and fidelity and sacrifice, a life that shall set forth, from this day, to fill up the sufferings of Christ, that in the days of this new world of opportunity and need shall give itself, all there is of itself, all that Christ can put into it, to the attempt now to complete what Jesus Christ by His life and His death and His resurrection began.

Speak, Lord, for Thy servants are stening. Here in the hush and the listening. Here in the hush and the quiet of this moment we wait for Thee. Make us aware how near Thou art to us. Help us to hear Thy voice speaking to us. Help us now. Give us grace and strength to take these lives of ours and lay them in Thy hands that Thou mayest make them pure, that Thou mayest make them strong, that Thou mayest use them to finish the work which Thou didst begin and to bring in at last the new heaven and the new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness.

#### THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

By BISHOP WILLIAM F. McDowell, of the Methodist Episcopal Church

I SUPPOSE we always need to make special effort to keep our best purposes to the front and our noblest spirit in control. The Church of Jesus Christ constantly tends to enlarge the number of its interests and activities; to add new rooms to the house in which it lives. It constantly tends to increase the number of altogether useful things to which it is devoted. All the more reason why it should give special care to the preservation of its supreme purpose and to make sure that it never allows its dominant note to become secondary or feeble. The Church of Jesus Christ is the primary organization for carrying forward in the world the saving purpose and passion of Jesus Christ for the world, and its largest duty is constantly to give Him a saved and saving Church. We may do a thousand useful things, but unless we are doing that, we are not at the true center of our lives. It is doubtful whether just now Jesus Christ has a saving Church in any full. doubtful whether just now Jesus Christ has a saving Church in any full, large measure anywhere.

Moreover, the Church of Christ needs to be constantly making the modern world spiritual and moral. Mr. Gladstone was probably right in his apprehension that the seen world is gaining upon the unseen. We are in real apprehension that the seen world is gaining upon the unseen. We are in real danger of being overcome by the perfection and extent of our material development. The spiritualizing and moralizing of the modern world is our plain task. For the achievement of this we must "light fires in cold and unlit places" where men and women dwell. We are not set to save old phrases or new, old forms or new, but in a real, modern, large and living way to save a living world for the Eternal Christ and His purpose. What we are doing is not good enough for Him. Our fathers did not do it well enough before us, and we are not doing it well enough now. We must come anew into creative fellowship with the living Christ that we may render to Him a kind of service that He deserves in this day of grace.

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# THE CROSSROADS CHURCH AT THE CROSSROADS

BY REV. JAY S. STOWELL, Philadelphia, Pa.
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In A sense probably never before true, the 100,000 Protestant rural churches of America are at the turning of the ways. They are being tested as never before by rural conditions unique in our history. All of the difficulties which affect rural life in general are theirs, and they have a few peculiar problems of their own thrown in for good measure.

The American rural church is a unique institution. It is a product of the frontier, and as such it has played a most important part in our national history. If it is to continue to do so it must adapt itself to radically new conditions. For the first time in our national life we face frankly the question as to whether the open country church is to continue to exist at all, and if so, under what conditions.

The question at issue is not whether religion will remain in or disappear from our rural areas. Rural dwellers are still going to believe in some kind of a God, and they are going to adopt some sort of a religious interpretation of life. Rural people everywhere and in all ages have done that. The question relates rather to the future of organized religion in rural America. Is the church at the crossroads doomed, like the little red schoolhouse, and, if so, have we anything to put in its place to do, in terms adequate to the needs of the present generation, the thing which it did in the past?

The answer to this riddle has not yet been made clear. For-

tunately, in seeking a solution, we have, as a result of surveys begun by the Interchurch World Movement, and later carried on by the Institute of Religious and Social Research, and of many other independent studies made in recent vears, more comprehensive dat. upon the status of the rural church than have before been available. Upon some matters we are no longer obliged to guess, but even this mass of data must be used with caution, as most of it has been assembled under categories handed down from the past, and one thing is becoming increasingly clear, namely, that the old categories are inadequate. Unless we can interpret the present situation in new terms made necessary by new conditions in rural life, we shall still be baffled, regardless of the amount of data we assemble.

The open country church of the past was at times a rather crude affair. Its buildings were often cheap and unsightly, its equipment meager, and its leadership poorly trained, out with all its limitations it dominated the religious, social, and, to a large extent, the intellectual life of its time. Its theology and its interpretation of life were accepted even by the sinners of the community who transgressed its moral precepts.

The actual influence of the rural church today is an unknown quantity. We still lack sufficient facts for measuring it. There are indications, however, that it is waning. We have sometimes talked

# MANIFESTO ON CHURCH AND MISSION CO-OPERATION

The following manifesto to be transmitted to the cooperating Older Churches of the West was adopted by the Second General Assembly of the Church of Christ in China, which met at Canton, October 25 to November 8, 1930:

The General Assembly has given considerable time and earnest thought to the question of the relationship which should subsist between the Church of Christ in China and the cooperating Missions, and wishes to place on record the following statement regarding the attitude of the General Assembly to this vitally important subject.

We desire first of all to take the opportunity of expressing again our deep sense of gratitude to the Older Churches of the West for the help, both spiritual and material, which has been afforded by them to the work in China. By the sending of splendid men and women as missionaries, by financial aid, and above all by the sympathetic love that has been shown in their interest in and prayer for the work in China, they have earned our sincere and lasting gratitude. For these and other gracious acts we are deeply thankful first to God and then to our brethren in Christ in the western lands.

We are conscious that our gratitude can best be shown by our definite endeavor to develop as speedily as possible the spirit of stewardship and self-support in the Church in China. We are glad to report that about twenty-five percent of our organized churches are self-supporting. But we realize that this percentage should be increased as rapidly as possible.

You in the West are informed as to the present political disturbances in China, and the resulting

economic depression. These represent great obstacles to be overcome, if our desire for the increase in self-support is to be gained. You also have heard of the difficulties which the spread of communistic ideas, the organization of the anti-Christian movement and the like, have created for our Church. These are all matters in which we beseech your full sympathy, as we know they have excited your concern. It is because of these difficulties and hindrances that the General Assembly wishes to make clear its position with regard to the relationship of the Church of Christ in China and the Missions which are cooperating with it.

On the one hand we feel it necessary to reaffirm our conviction that it is a matter of the greatest importance for the Church in China to adopt a definite church-centric policy. By that we mean that the Chinese church consciousness has developed to the point of desiring the responsibility for administering its own affairs, and for conducting and directing the various activities which aim at the evangelization of the people of China.

The General Assembly rejoices that members of the Church, both Chinese and the foreign missionaries associated with it, are of one mind in applying this principle in the actual conduct of the affairs and work of the Church. We fully recognize the fact that the churches connected with the Church of Christ in China are not equally developed, and so it is difficult to secure uniformity in the application of this principle. A considerable time must elapse before our high ideal can be realized, and much wisdom and patience will be required in the prosecution of this great task. We must, however, emphasize the fact that this church-centric ideal includes most definitely the idea of continued cooperation between the Church in China and the various missionary organizations from the West. In this sense it is not to be interpreted as an entirely independent movement of the Church.

The General Assembly further wishes to make clear our position with regard to our relations with

the Missions that are associated with us. definitely stand for cooperation between the Church and the Missions. The Church of Christ in China is a body that desires the Church and the Mission to work together as we face the common problems that are confronting the Christian Movement in We wish to give every opportunity to our missionary friends and to devise means whereby their greatest contribution can be made as they seek to serve the cause of Christ in connection with our Church. We therefore wish to state positively that the services of missionaries from the Older Churches of the West are both greatly needed and ardently desired. We wish to go one step further by saying that the need for missionaries today is even greater than before. In the past, missionary work was primarily in behalf of the non-Christian people in China. Several hundred million of our people are still unreached by the Gospel of Christ. millions must still present as great an appeal as ever to the stronger Older Churches of the West. They present to our young Church our greatest opportunity and responsibility for service.

The need for missionary help is now intensified by the fact that the young Church, which is still in its early stages of development, is beginning to undertake its rightful and proper responsibilities. Being still in its childhood, our Church can be greatly helped by the wisdom, experience and religious background of our missionary friends from abroad. In considering the present development of the work in China, we feel that all types of missionaries are still necessary, whether they be regular missionaries who come to China for life service or special workers who come for a particular phase of the work in China for a limited time.

However, we wish to emphasize particularly two qualifications for missionaries in the days to come: (1) they should possess the spirit of cooperation with their fellow workers in the Church, willing to share with them the tasks that they have before them, and (2) they should come with warm evangelistic fervor, no matter in what capacity they seek to serve Christ

in connection with the Church in China, whether evangelistic, educational, medical, social or administrative. While they need to have all the technical qualifications befitting the high calling of a missionary, we regard these two points as of special importance, without which their work cannot yield the largest measure of result.

We ask for your prayers and continued cooperation to the end that with the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, our efforts to deepen the spiritual life of the Christians and to win the fealty of the unevangelized masses of our people to Christ as their Lord and Saviour, will be most fruitful.

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# The Younger Churches Salute You



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E, the undersigned representatives of the younger churches in the various Mission fields, now attending the Conference on Policy and Methods of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, wish to make the following statement:

- (1) We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude first to God, and then to the Presbyterian Church in America, for the Christian message of love which has been brought to our lands by its missionaries.
- (2) We further wish to express our deep sense of appreciation of the Christian fellowship we have enjoyed at the Conference held at Lakeville, Connecticut, June 20th to 30th, 1931. Such an experience will linger in our memory with pleasantness and thankfulness for many days to come.
- (3) While no small measure of success in the propagation of the Christian Faith has already been attained, the work must still be regarded as in its early stages of development. There is still a great need for missionaries imbued with the spirit of Christ to come over and help us.
- (4) We hope it will be recognized that the relationship between the older and younger churches should essentially be a spiritual one. Closer cooperation between the two is, in our judgment, very essential especially at the present juncture. As we face the present serious and challenging world situation, we feel more keenly than ever before our dependence upon God and upon each other.
- (5) We wish to re-affirm our conviction in the urgency and importance of the church-centric rather than mission-centric principle as stated at the Jerusalem Meeting of 1928. We urge that it be translated into actual practice as soon and as far as practicable. However, we do recognize the fact that the churches in the various fields, and even the various forms of work in the same field, may not be equally developed, therefore no uniform application of the principle could or should be made. But at the same time, it is not too soon to begin to consider the work in the mission fields in terms of this fundamental principle.

- (6) In the light of the development of the work today, a reconsideration of the use of funds from the older churches for the work in the younger is called for. As a general principle, subsidization of local churches is to be avoided as far as possible. Definite steps should also be taken to help the subsidized churches now in existence to speedily become self-supporting.
- (7) The main purpose of our emphasizing the need of closer cooperation between the older and younger churches is to clear the way for the gigantic task that is before us in the Christianization of the millions of people to whom the love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ is still unknown. In undertaking such a task, the consolidation of all the Christian forces is indeed vital and necessary.
- (8) While the younger churches are still in their early stages of development, while differences in environment, tradition, religious background and experience do exist, yet we realize more and more the essential oneness of our task which demands a common mind and common effort in introducing Christ to men and men to Christ.

That a mighty spiritual revival in America, and among God's people everywhere, in a forward missionary movement that will revitalize and regenerate human lives is the most sincere desire and prayer of

Your fellow servants of Jesus Christ,

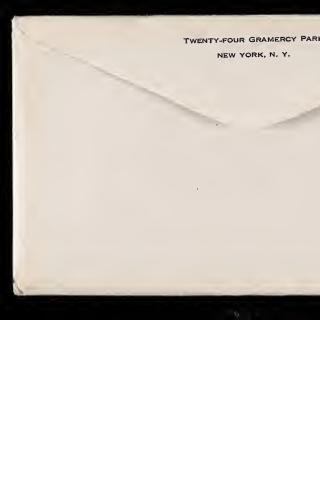
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Sitting, left to right: Rai Bahadu N. K. Mukerji, Elder in Katra Church, Allahabad, and secretary, North India Book and Tract Society; Rev. Kumetaro Sasao, Ph.D., Dean, College Dept., Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo, Japan; Rev. Cheng Ching-yi, Moderator General Assembly, Church of Christ in China.

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## The Indomitable Curie

Condensed from "Crucibles"

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N May 20, 1921, a frail woman dressed in black stood in the White House before a distinguished group of onlookers. The President of the United States was speaking: "It has been your fortune to accomplish an immortal work for humanity," he said, and presented to her a small phial of radium, the gift of American women.

For that thimbleful of glistening salt, 500 men equipped with every scientific aid had struggled for a year with a 500-ton mountain of ore, and \$100,000 had been spent. Yet, almost 25 years before, this woman, Marie Sklowdoska Curie, with but one assistant, her husband Pierre, had accomplished the same miracle, had produced radium, in an abandoned old shed in Paris, with meager equipment and little or no funds. She had pushed back the frontiers of chemical knowledge, and had made one of the most magnificent discoveries in the memory of man.

It was in her cousin's laboratory in her native city of Warsaw that Marie Sklowdoska first began mixing chemicals. She was a solemn, motherless girl then, loving her father, a professor of mathematics and physics, passionately, and her oppressed country, Poland, hardly less. At 17, conditions forced her to become a governess in a Russian family. Her rebellious patriotism flared high. She joined one of the secret groups of young Poles who had vowed to overthrow the hated Russians, and was so fearless in her revolutionary activities that in a few years she was forced to leave Poland.

So in 1891, a young exile of 24, she arrived in Paris. A garret room was all she could afford, and her meals were often only bread and chocolate. But she did not mind. Her ardor by then had turned from politics to chemistry. At a time when science was a closed field for women, she had begun to dream of a career in it. She matriculated at the Sorbonne, though it meant washing laboratory bottles and taking care of a furnace to meet expenses.

For three years she worked uneventfully. Until one day she met Pierre Curie, "a tall young man with auburn hair," who had graduated from the Sorbonne and was doing electrical research. Instantly Marie Sklowdoska liked him, and he, amazed at the learn-

didn't much comfort me. That beautiful Alsatian, alone in the dark, and somewhere near, a tiger that could silence him with one blow!

"I went to bed, but I couldn't sleep. I thought of all sorts of queer things and through them all I saw that dog: great, brown eyes, wrinkled nose, big paws warm and friendly against my leg. I began to reason. I hadn't a dog on the place. Binji might be a sheepkiller, but here there were no sheep to kill! Why shouldn't I keep him?

"It's strange how quickly a man can change his ideas. Until now I had wanted to trap that tiger. Now I hoped I badn't trapped him! Call it sentiment; call it Binji's wet muzzle on my knee in the car, his eagerness in the boat, the look in his eyes as he lay at my feet - or call it plain dog-consciousness. I routed out my boy: 'Come on! We're going to get the dog out of that trap!' We covered that half mile on a dead run. You'll understand if you've ever had a dog.

"As we neared the trap there was no sound; to me that meant the tiger had got him. Then I heard a low whine — the whine I imagine babies make when left alone. Then ahead I saw Binji, his black nose through the bars of the cage, his eyes shining straight into the torch's beam, and that gray-white tail wagging

friendship and confidence, as if to say: 'Well, we've played this game long enough - let's try another!' Untied, he came bounding out. He didn't jump on me. He just came running up, eager, his tail swishing and his red tongue hanging out. 'Come on,' I said, 'we're going home, Binji!' He ran down the trail just as he had come up it, frisking, investigating, now far ahead, now close up, just under my feet, sniffing and pure dog.

Suddenly something happened - so quickly and so close that I couldn't even get the torch up a dusky, rushing movement in the dark. I saw two spears of ivory gleaming, coming straight toward me — cruel, sharp as needles! I had stumbled on a wild boar protecting a sow with a litter. Two hundred pounds of fierce animal dynamite about to gore me! There was no getting my rifle up. It was all so quick - so sudden. And then a gray streak sprang from the black. I heard the boar grunt with the impact. I saw two gleaming tusks disappear in the dark. And then I heard Binji's cry of pain, followed by his low, savage growl - his sheepgrowl!

"I shot the boar," said Johnson slowly. "And I found Binji both those tusks through his breast, but with his great, white teeth firm and fast in the boar's

throat."

ing of this girl with the light blue eyes and blond hair, was captivated and could not hide it. Their courtship was short, and in July, 1895, they were married. Marie continued with her studies, and Pierre took up his new duties as professor of physics at the École

Municipale.

And then, Marie Curie's lucky day dawned. It dawned because an important accident happened in the laboratory of Professor Henri Antoine Becquerel. By chance Becquerel had left a piece of uranium ore upon a photographic plate in his dark-room. Later he noticed that in this completely darkened room the plate had been changed under the spot on which the ore was placed. He could not understand it. He deliberately tried the experiment with other ores containing uranium. In every case a spot was left on the plate, and he found that the intensity of effect was directly proportional to the amount of uranium in each ore. Pitchblende seemed much more powerful than even its uranium content could account for. He inferred that "there must be an unknown element with power greater than uranium to affect photographic plate."

Becquerel had watched Marie Curie in the laboratory, had recognized in her a trained and gifted experimenter. He presented the problem to her. She talked it over

with Pierre. Her enthusiasm captivated him. Both were working on other problems, but both dropped their work to join in the great adventure of tracking down the powerful, unknown element in

pitchblende.

The Curies had no money to undertake the search - they borrowed some. They wrote the Austrian Government which owned the pitchblende mines, and soon, from Joachimsthal, came the gift of a ton of sandy ore. Those were hectic days. The Curies worked incessantly. They boiled and cooked their mound of dirt, filtered and separated its impurities. When the poison gases threatened to stifle them under the leaky roof of their shed, Marie Curie herself lifted large vats of liquid out into the yard. For hours at a time she stood beside the boiling pots, stirring the thick liquids with an iron rod almost as large as herself. Often, while Pierre worked at some chemical operation, she prepared hasty meals which they ate as they continued their task. "We lived in a preoccupation as complete as a dream," she remembered years later. "It was in that miserable shed that we passed the happiest years of our life."

She caught pneumonia, and it was months before she returned to her cauldrons. Then, in September, 1897, a daughter was born, and the child was but a week

old when Marie Curie walked into that workshop again. Pierre's widowed father, a retired doctor, came to help care for the baby, Irene.

By now the pitchblende had dwindled to 100 pounds. Another year of heroic work. Again Marie Curie was ill. Pierre was ready to give up, but not she. When almost two years of constant work were done, they had extracted a small amount of bismuth salts which showed the presence of a very active element, about 300 times as potent as uranium. From this salt Marie Curie isolated a substance resembling nickel. She subjected it to every known test, and in July, 1898, announced the discovery of a hitherto unknown element which she named "polonium" in honor of her beloved country.

Others might have been satisfied with this discovery. But not the Curies. They kept working with portions of that ton of pitchblende until it was boiled down to amounts small enough to fit into test tubes. This fraction of chemicals appeared to possess properties much stronger than even polonium. Marie Curie looked at this residue of two years' tedious extractions. It was a tiny amount; she must be more than careful now. She examined every drop of solution that came trickling through the filter, every grain of solid that clung to the filter

paper. Not an iota of the precious stuff must escape her. She and Pierre plodded on, and when one night they walked into the shed and "saw on all sides the feebly luminous silhouettes of the bottles containing their product, like earthly stars," they knew that they were near their goal.

Bottle after bottle, crystallizing dish after crystallizing dish, was cleaned until not a speck of dust was left to contaminate the last product of their extractions. Marie Curie did the cleaning. And at last Marie Curie was the first to gaze upon a few crystals of salt of another new element — radium. It was the end of that long trail under the abandoned old shed.

But still there was no public announcement. Pierre was made professor of physics at the Sorbonne, and Marie Curie was put in charge of physics lectures at the Higher Normal School for Girls at Sèvres. She taught, helped care for Irene, even made little dresses for her, and went on studying the queer new element, radium. Only after five more years did she present her complete work on radioactivity, as she named the effects produced by polonium, radium, uranium, and similar elements. She presented it as a thesis for the degree of doctor of science, and the examining committee of distinguished scientists unanimously admitted that her thesis was the greatest single

polonium almost where he had left off. When she had finished only a few still doubted her in-

dividual greatness.

But even in her triumph Marie Curie still set herself new tasks. The element radium must be isolated, free and uncombined with any other element. Once again she lived in her laboratory, refusing all social engagements. Until finally, in 1910, she completed her crowning achievement. Before her eyes lay the elusive radium itself - white globules that tarnished in the air. Here was a brilliant piece of work performed by Marie Curie without Pierre beside her. Her detractors were forever silenced, and for this work she received the Nobel Prize a second time, the only scientist ever so honored.

So, quietly, Mme. Curie worked on. During the war she emerged from her laboratory to train 150 girls as radiological operators, Irene among them. She learned to drive a car, and transported instruments for hospitals, loading the heavy pieces of apparatus herself. Then, the Radium Institute of the University of Paris having been completed and she made its Director, she withdrew into a little Institute room on the rue Pierre Curie, and there worked feverishly through the rest of the war on the extraction of radium.

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Now the news was made public. A strange new element had been discovered whose salts shone in the dark and were continuously emitting heat 250,000 times as great as that produced by burning an equal weight of coal. It was the most potent poison known. Next to the skin it produced painful sores. Pierre knew this. His fingers were almost paralyzed from its effects. Its presence sterilized seeds, healed surface cancers, killed microbes, colored diamonds, and penetrated solids.

The world marveled. Overnight the Curies became world famous. Tourists invaded their lecture rooms. Newsmongers pursued them into their home. All sorts of stories came back of this strange couple - Pierre the reticent, dreamy philosopher, and Marie the sadfaced mother who sewed, cooked, and told stories to her little girl. The Curies complained, but they could not escape. Honors were showered upon them, many of which they refused, protesting that they would rather have laboratories than decorations.

Within a few months the Nobel Prize was awarded them, to be shared with Becquerel. But this money was soon gone to pay debts incurred by the experiments. Theirs was still a financial struggle. They could easily have patented their discovery, made fabulous profits. But they refused. Every crystal of radium salt they wrenched from mountains of rock was turned over to hospitals without charge.

Irene was now seven, and another baby came — Eve Denise. The Curie cup of happiness was filled. But not for long. In April, 1906, Pierre Curie was hit by a cab and instantly killed. The blow almost struck Marie Curie down. She mourned silently, terribly. It seemed she would never be able to resume her work. But, within a few weeks, she was back in her laboratory, more silent than ever, consecrating the rest of her life to her husband's memory.

France asked her to take over his chair of physics, although no woman had ever before held a professorship at the Sorbonne. Graybeards muttered, but to her first lecture in the great Sorbonne amphitheater came statesmen and scientists, the President of France, the King and Queen of Portugal. "On the stroke of three an insignificant little black-robed woman stepped in through a side door, and the brilliant throng rose with a thrill of homage and respect. The little figure was visibly distressed and raised a trembling hand." Then she spoke, her voice musical and low, her French with but a slight Polish accent, and she held her listeners spellbound. Not a word of her tragedy. She continued Pierre's last lecture on

polonium almost where he had left off. When she had finished only a few still doubted her in-

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# The Future of American Youth

THE WORLD TODAY is on the threshold of a mass civilization—language understood by all; schools and libraries for all; music sung by all; automobiles for all; scenic treasures shared by all; electric power for all; games played by all; beautiful homes for all; science in the service of all; security for all.

The mere enumeration of these areas of widening opportunity in mass civilization suggests the call for a new leadership and new forms of service. What people most need is a greater selfrespect, a higher aspiration, a more discriminating sense of values, and a will to self-discipline. The discipline of ignorance, drudgery, and circumstance must yield to high purpose, to careful planning, to skilful performance, to abiding idealism, to that sustained personal cultivation which fills the whole life with the true, the good, and the beautiful.

In attempting to foresee the future of American youth it would be a mistake to think in the limited terms of today's confusion and weakness. The world has faced confusion and disaster before and we can see now that salvation lay in refusing to accept them. People moved on because they wanted something better, and because they had the ambition and the courage to plan and labor.

The development of our free public schools illustrates this point. The greatest educational revival in American history began during a year of panic and depression. In 1837 when Horace Mann came onto the scene, the schools were poor and ineffective-buildings wretched, teachers untrained, terms short, curriculums stupid, public support pitiful. Others had been disheartened by the task but Horace Mann saw that people needed good schools. That vision created not only a position for himself but it has created a task for millions of young people in the improvement of their own lives, and it has created a vocation for millions of our best young men and women who have served as teachers during the years since Horace Mann carried his idealism and his vision to the citizens of a continent.

This power to arouse the people to a new sense of their own worth—a power which was strong in Franklin and Washington, in Mary Lyon, in Horace Mann, and in Susan B. Anthony—is needed to-day.

The future of youth is in their own

hands. Needs are everywhere. Each need is an opportunity. It can be turned into employment for someone who will meet that need. The young people who are willing to set high standards in their own lives and to give leadership to others will be the first to find themselves. Their power will grow with use. This new leadership is needed in every vocation and area of life. Teachers and others who work with young people can perform no greater service than to guide them to a fuller understanding of their own gifts and to help them to visualize the needs which exist around them.

A few points are fundamental:

[1] Personal excellence and attractiveness are important as a foundation for employment of any kind.

[2] Acquaintances and friendships play a large part in obtaining employment. Everyone should learn to make and keep worthy friends,

[3] Unemployment must be taken up largely by expansion in services such as teaching, health, recreation, and the fine arts, rather than in material production where science is reducing the labor factor.

[4] Those individuals will be surest of employment who develop the power to create new types of work by persistent planning combined with the power to lead others to cooperate in worthy new undertakings.

[5] This is an age of high specialization requiring the individual who takes up a special line to be almost perfect in it. For example, the airplane mechanic must guarantee the perfect operation of every airplane he sends into the skies or run the risk of causing death.

[6] Occupations that seem to be overcrowded are not really so, especially on their higher levels and there is almost no occupation where exceptional excellence and skill will not win a place.

[7] The individual, particularly during his early years, should attach more importance to his personal growth on the job than to the wages received.

[8] Parasitic employments—such as liquor, gambling, unwholesome recreation destroy character and lead to eventual unhappiness no matter how much money they may yield for a time.

[9] The individual who does not find employment can turn that fact, regardless of age, into an asset by using it to build up his knowledge and skill. Schooling today should end only with satisfactory employment

[10] Both young men and women on taking up employment should work out a savings program which will later help in the establishment of a home,

[11] The quality of one's life is more important than any particular occupation or place of residence. Everyone should seek to live where he can be his best and can do most for his family. A low income in a worthy community may mean much more than a high income in a locality where family life would be seriously handicapped.

[12] In both life and work a positive, happy, and hopeful attitude is a most im-

portant factor in achievement.

The United States Census divides occupations into 10 groups. Those employed in 1930 in these occupations in round numbers were:

Manufacturing and mechanical industries, over 14 million

Agriculture, over 10 million
Trade, over 6 million
Domestic and personal service, nearly 5

Clerical occupations, 4 million Transportation, nearly 4 million Professional services, 3½ million Extraction of minerals, nearly a million Public services, nearly a million Forestry and fishing, quarter of a million.

These can be subdivided into literally thousands of special jobs. In the end everyone who does not wish to depend upon the uncertainties of chance must decide what use he will make of himself, what preparation he will make for his career, and how he will go about getting started. There are great opportunities today in almost every worthy walk of life. Let youth consider a few of the more important occupations having in mind especially the factors of pioneering and leadership.

Consider teaching. Education is expanding and must expand, for people need light. There is no oversupply of really cultivated teachers who know how to awaken and guide youth and there never will be. Literally thousands of school executives are on the lookout for teachers or assistants who can develop effectively important new lines of work—people who are flexible and resourceful. Often jobs go unfilled for years because no one can be found who has fully prepared himself for that particular work

The free public library movement calls for young people who have sufficient faith in the miracle of reading to go out and awaken communities which are literally starved for intellectual life but have never been brought to see it. Were it possible to find thousands of men and

women who would make themselves masters of the library arts and who at the same time would develop the capacity to arouse communities to want and pay for libraries, a whole new field of inspiring employment would open up.

Or take politics. This word has been degraded thru its association with corruption and special privilege but it is really a noble word and in a democracy politics is the duty and privilege of every citizen. The experts report that there are 182,439 political units in the United States. That is too many and the number will be reduced by the movement for government by fewer and better men, but there will always be opportunities in the United States for tens of thousands of able politicians in the best sense. Sit in with any committee that is working for civic betterment in a city, in a state, or in the nation, and you will hear a discussion of the men in the legislature, a patient canvass searching for leadership, searching for men of integrity, ability, and courage who are willing to take the trouble to make themselves masters of some civic problem and to give a leadership toward its solution. A single generation of highminded men and women could lift politics to one of the noblest and most appreciated callings.

Or take the civil service. The functions of government are expanding and will expand. They call for the highest types of clerical and executive service in nation, state, and locality. A Commission of Inquiry on Public Service Personnel has recently made a report urging thoro training for public service. An endowment has been set up for a Graduate School of Public Administration at Harvard University.

There are plenty of people who can pass civil service examinations but there are not enough people who have made a special study of government and its needs, who can take the lead in civil service reform, who can demand public employment on the basis of merit, who can take a government position with a determination to cut red tape, to drive out corruption and favoritism, and to maintain the highest standards of public service.

Or take journalism. The world is suffering just now from an epidemic of absentee-owned, chain-managed, advertising-dominated newspapers. Editorial and reportorial service on such papers is often one of the most degrading of employments. But a new journalism is being born today. It is free from advertising or at least refuses to traffic with dishonest advertising. It is dedicated to

community service and inspired by high ideals. The very growth of parasitic journalism calls for a new type devoted to the public good. There is hardly a state or a city in the nation today where an editor who had dedicated his life to community well-being, and who knew how to put his influence back of home life, religious awakening, school and library expansion, efficient government, and decent recreation, would not be welcomed and supported. These are not easy standards to meet but they are within the reach of average young men and women who are willing to make sufficient preparation.

Or take the arts of leisure. Here is a whole new field of the most delightful, inspiring employment—delightful because it is associated with the freer and more spontaneous aspect of human life. Are you willing to leave the management of leisure to people who degrade life for the sake of profit? Or do you believe that the play life, which is but another name for the art life, "should be organized either as a public service or as a wholesome and honorable private enterprise? Some day it will be so organized.

A hundred thousand recreation directors working under boards of education in cooperation with the schools and adult organizations would give an entirely new tone to our national life.

Outside of the professions there are countless opportunities for leadership. Take the building arts and industries. The home is the fundamental institution of civilized beings and the house is its temple. Here are occupations by the hundreds appealing to every sort of gift and skill ranging from the broad vision and organizing genius of the man who plans whole regions to the precise skills of workers in wood and metal.

People who ought to know say that here is a field that is understaffed, that our building mechanics are fast reaching the age of retirement, that immigration restrictions have shut out craftsmen who formerly came from other countries, that young people have been overlooking this field for less wholesome white-collar occupations.

Here again there is need not only for skills but for that broader development of personality and imagination which can help to interpret need and to meet the aspiration of the consumer. The teaching of homemaking today is creating a demand for an entirely new quality in housing. Most realestate men have gone into housing to make money with no real preparation. Yet housing, like teaching, is an occupation calling for the most

thoro preparation. Where are the pioneers who will give to consumers this new kind of housing service?

Or take agriculture. There will be great opportunities in the field of agriculture for people who can operate farms and at the same time give leadership in the growth of the cooperative movement, wherein people associate themselves together in groups for mutual service and helpfulness. The cooperative movement has already gone far, including 60 million members of 200,000 cooperative societies in 40 countries.

Or take automobile care. Our 26 million automobiles are underserviced. They are works of art but most of them are not kept clean. They are valuable pieces of property but the great cities do not provide parking. They are fine mechanisms but the care of these mechanisms is too often a matter of chance. A genius for organizing automobile service so that the owner would have complete, thoroly dependable service at low cost could provide jobs for hundreds of thousands and save the owners enough to pay the bill.

Or take home service. As standards in living and human relations are improved, employment about the home has many attractions. Proper organization, preparation, and certification could dignify and lift the quality of this service into an occupation that might employ millions. It has the advantage of lending itself easily to parttime employment for women who could not afford to be away from their own homes for fulltime occupations.

But perhaps youth will say, "Where is one to get these higher types of preparation for the new jobs that a higher standard of living demands?" The answer is another question: "Where have pioneers always gotten their training?" Where did Benjamin Franklin get his? Where did Lindbergh get his? In each case there was selfdiscipline, a lively imagination, and the courage to lead out.

That courage of the pioneer is what America needs now. The future of American youth depends on the willingness of today's leadership to awaken and arouse youth. It is not resources we lack, either material or human. It is the will to be and the will to lead. Let the youth who aspires to a great future for himself and his country prepare himself in the spirit of Abraham Lincoln and of Benjamin Franklin and his day will come. The weaklings who cannot meet the higher standard will fall by the way but real leadership will make its place.—
Joy Elmer Morgan.

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#### GODLESS PROPAGANDA PREPARES A NEW GENERAL ATTACK

The godless movement which is being conducted from Moscow is preparing a new attack against the Christian Church in all the world, even against all religions in general. The climax of these preparations is to be reached in the World Conference of the Godless and Free Thinkers which has been called by the Central Council of the Godless in Moscow, February 9, 1937. The preliminary work is being conducted by a committee of twenty-nine members of which Jaroslawski, the leader of godless propaganda is the chairman. It is expected that 1,600 representatives from forty-six countries will attend this congress of the godless. The determination with which the conflict is to be undertaken is indicated by the order of business. Moreover it is becoming clear that the godless movement with its headquarters in Moscow is not to be limited to Soviet Russia, but has made the destruction of all religion also in other lands its goal. The organization of a world propaganda against religion is projected; the godless internationale is to be organized more rigidly under the leadership of the Society of the Godless in Soviet Russia. For the effective execution of these new projects which are being outlined an international propaganda fund against religion is to be founded.

Directly related with the preparations to make a new general attack, it is planned to erect a powerful radio station which shall serve atheistic propaganda exclusively. According to an announcement this new radio station shall have sufficient power to be heard at the greatest distances. Obviously the idea is not only to enlighten the people of different lands, as the Soviet leader contends, but also to give support to certain strategic centers of bolshevistic atheistic propaganda as for instance in Madrid, Prague, Mexico, India and China and other countries in order to carry on the fight against religion with a unified front. Arrangements have already been made for the provisions of funds and the construction of the station is to be begun soon. This station which is to be opened next year will send out its messages in many different languages of the world. The Soviet Government has not only recognized the plan but is giving its support.

The determination to destroy the Church which lies back of these plans has been given expression by Dimitrow, the Bulgarian communist, and the leader of the Komintern in the preface of a propaganda pamphlet of the godless which has been distributed in an edition of one million in the Soviet Union. Said he, "There is no difference among religions for the class conscious proletariat, every religion especially the Christian religions are the worst enemies of communism and must therefore be completely destroyed. It is not enough in the fight against religion to give illuminating talks or write books, weapons must be used against religions also; for the Church is preparing to renew its fight against the Soviet power and also world communism. It is sometimes charged that we have destroyed the Churches and monasteries, such charges dare not affect a communist. It is not a question of a few destroyed Churches if the world is to be made communistic. On the ruins of the old world, communism will build true socialism." Russia offers the best picture

of what may be expected if this propaganda is allowed to become a reality. According to a report of the Commissariat of the interior, there were 14,000 Churches closed in 1935. Proceedings were taken by the G.P.U. against 3,687 ministers which resulted in the death sentence for twenty-nine of them. A large number of them have been committed to concentration camps in Salowki and in Siberia.

In a certain city on the Volga there are only five Churches available for a population of 830,000. A Lutheran Church has been closed three years after the death of its pastor, because permission to secure a minister could not be obtained. The tax burdens on ministers and Churches are constantly being increased. If the taxes camnot be paid the Church buildings are confiscated. By 1957, according to expert opinion one-sixth of the globe will scarcely have a Church that is worthy of the name. Fifty million members of this Church have had to sever their relationship with the Church because of the pressure of godless prepaganda. Twenty-five million school children are to be trained in atheism by the Society of the Godless. The Soviet Republic is being flooded with atheistic literature, but religious literature has practically disappeared. Bibles cannot be printed or distributed.

PAVLOV THE MECHANIST.

an individualist. Czars might come and go, bourgeois might be mowed down like grass in the public squares, the heavens themselves might cave, but he kept on experimenting with his dogs, rats and monkeys. When an assistant explained that the revolution had stopped all street vehicles and made him late, PAVLOV grumbled: "That is no excuse."

For all his political conservatism was as much a revolutionist PAVLOV in the laboratory as were LENIN, TROTSKY and STALIN in public affairs. And perhaps more dangerous. For this physiologist - psychologist he never pretended to be-sought to dethrone not a Czar but the soul. Man a ma-chine, a lump of matter composed of atoms like those in any brick-the conception may not have been new, but tt acquired strength through his tests. Dogs displaying all the symptoms of hunger at a mere signal after preassociation of bell-ringing liminary with the display of food-the experiment is now a classic of science. Elec-trical contrivances which can be trained to like or dislike, to remember and forget, and even to thread mazes, carry the theory of conditioned reflexes into engineering. Protest as we may that a machine cannot be conscious of itself or of its surroundings or perceive truth and beauty, the fact remains that PAVLOV conquered a new sphere for exact science and for the first time subjected some phases of voluntary behavior to scientific law. " Mind, soul,

matter—all are one," was his summary. The search for cause and effect, the striving to reduce everything to law and order, the explanation of the universe and of matter in terms of the machine—all this Pavlov carried over from Kelvin, Maxwell and Helm-holtz. But in physics, causality, machines, law and order have disappeared. Schroedinger even regards them as infantile as Kepler's hypothesis that angels push the planets around the sun.

So we have the anomaly of PAVLOV and his school proclaiming the unity of life, mind and matter and treating man's immortal soul as a mechanical effect, while the mathematical physicists insist that there is no machine anywhere, that there is room for the spirit in the cosmos and that life is essentially unknowable. On the one hand, the cocksureness that gave us the electromagnetic theory, the now abandoned ether, radio, a thousand con-quests of matter and energy; on the other, a deep humility that places the theories of the mechanists only a little higher than primitive superstitious beliefs in spirits. NEWTON had to come with his laws of gravitation before we could have EINSTEIN. So PAVLOV is probably the great pioneer who blazed a trail for the genius destined to reconcile matter and mind.

## **'ETERNAL MYSTERY'** IS SEEN BY EINSTEIN

He Declares Building Up Concept of the Universe Is Like Solving a Word Puzzle.

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Scientist Writes 11,000-Word Paper as Apology for Silence at Franklin Institute.

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WASHINGTON, March more than 2,250,000 young power of men and hind the women was thrown "American Youth the Senate Committee on Education Labor today heid hearings on this bill which proposes living expenses to 5,000 wages and 000 unemployed young persons and needy students at a cost of \$3,500, 000,000 to the United States Govern

Delegates from youth societies in many parts of the country crowded the committee room and applauded witnesses testifying for the the bill recently introduced by two liberals, Senator Benson of Minnesota and Representative Amlle of Wisconsin. vivid cross-section of American A youth was present, representing varying creeds and colors

William Wattenberg of New York one of the witnesses for the bili, set the cost at \$3,515,410,000, but Kenneth Holland of the American Commission, who criticized the measure, said the total co amount to from \$14,000,000,000 \$20,000,000,000 if the age limits wer extended.

Present Efforts Scored

Strong dissatisfaction with the National Youth Administration, the government's effort to cope with the youth problem, was expressed youth problem, some witnesses by Francis J. Gorman of the United Textile Workers and Professor Charles A. Beard, the historian, were among the twoscore witnesses backing the bill. Mr. Gorman as-Textile

serted that the young men and women were e being used "as a to defeat conditions for bludgeon" which trade unions had fought. Dr. Beard said the "tragic figures of 5,000,000 to 8,000,000 young people between 16 and 25 wholly unoccu-pied are a frightful challenge."

Glibert Green of New York, sec-retary of the Young Communists, declared there was a "surging wave among

anger and resentment modern youth who demanded a new social order like that of Soviet Rus-

to govern this country No great sympathy was shown the committeemen toward the \$3,500,000,000 scheme, and there is general belief that it will repose in the committee for a considerable period, even if eventually reported

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Roosevelt Sends Message to Whitman-Spalding Affair at Rashville, N. Y.

1. Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.
RUSHVILLE, N. Y., June 4.—A message from President Roosevelt recognizing the importance of the Whitman-Spaiding Oregon Trail centennial celebration featured the opening of the fête here today.

The greetings from the White House were read to an audience of House were read to an audience or more than 500 persons, seated on benches on the lawn of Congrega-tional Church, called locally the "Marcus Whitman Church" by the Rev. Marshal L. Scott of Pratts-burg, general chairman of the ob-

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lins, New Conference "Of all the names of our pioneers, none shines brighter than that of Marcus Whitman," said the Rev. Marcus Whitman," said the Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, dean of the Hartford School of Theology and president of the of Theology the American the Hartford School of Theo and president of the Amer Board of Commissioners for

gn Missions.
"Such pioneers come from quiet homes and refined atmosphere in towns like these, not from the mad-

towns like these, not from the mad-cap cities," asserted the next spends the ev. Joseph A. Vance General Assembly of the Fresh General Assembly of the Fresh Tribute to "their unconquerable faith in God," was paid by the Berry LL. Markey, New York City, Berry L. L. Markey, New York City, Berry L. L. Markey, New York City, Department of the Empire State, Dr. Alexander C. Flick, Dr. Alexander C. Flick, pire State, Dr. Alexander C. Flick, Albany, State historian, who also represented 2,000 members of the represented 2,000 members of the New York State Historical Society, declared "it was far more impor-tant that the Whitmans and Spald-ings spread the boundaries of the spiritual empire than the national empire."

#### BOYS AND GIRLS BACK BILL FOR AID TO YOUTH

#### NYA Is Criticized at Senate Hearing on the Amlie-Benson Measure.

WASHINGTON, March 19 (AP) .-Boys and girls in their teens appealed today to the Senate Education and Labor Subcommittee for passage of the Amlie-Benson blil providing jobs for youths and aid for students.

About 150 came from various youth organizations in Philadelphia, many from New York, Michigan educational opportunities. and other places to pack a large committee room as their spokesmen advocated enactment of the hill

The bill would sat up the American Youth Act, distinguished from the present National Youth Administration, which most of the witnesses said provided too little for them and serves largely to set an example to industry to lower wages for youth.

training and employment on public projects for those between 16 and 25 years at wages not less than \$15 a week and \$3 additional for each dependent.

For those in high school, \$15 a month minimum would be provided. while \$25 a month would be allowed for college students.

Francis Benson of New York, a member of the executive committee of the National Student Federation. called the Civilian. Conservation Corps "tragically Inadequate" and a "dangerous provision because of the army relationship."

Benson said that the NYA had "set the cue for employers to drive down wages to youth." He estimated that 5,000,000 to 8,000,000 youths were without employment or

Jack Curofsky of New York said he worked for \$18 a week to support himself, his parents and others in the family and had been forced to "work longer hours since the end of NRA let the barriers down." Now, he said, be works 55 to 60 hours a week

Harry Berger, from a New York community center, said no openings now were avallable for youths even under the NYA because, he explained, it had terminated its of-The bill would provide vocational fering of jobs last November.

"To my Beloved Wife:

"Life has been a struggle for some weeks now on this return journey from the Pole - so much so that I have not been able to keep my diary going. To-day my be the last effort. Birdie and I are going to try and reach the Depot 11 miles north of us and return to this tent where Captain Scott is lying with a frozen foot ... I shall simply fall and go to sleep in the snow, and I have your little book with me in my breast-pocket . . . .

"Don't be unhappy - all is for the best. We are playing a good part in a great scheme arranged by God himself, and all is well : . . . I am only sorry I couldn't have seen your loving letters, and Mother's and Dad's and the Smiths', and all the happy news I had hoped to see but all these things are easily seen later, I expect. . . God be with

you - my love is as living for you as ever.

"I would like to have written to Mother and Dad and all at home, but it has been impossible. We will all meet after death, and death has no terrors. . . . . We have done what we thought was best . . . My own dear wife, good-bye for the present. . . . . I do not cease to pray for you, - to the very last . . . . "

"To my Most Beloved Wife:

"God be with you in your trouble, dear, when I have gone.

written another short letter to you . . . .

"I leave this life in absolute faith and happy belief that if God wishes you to wait long without me it will be to some good purpose. All is for the best to those that love God, and oh, my Ory, we have both loved Him with all our lives. All is well . . . .

"We have struggled to the end and we have nothing to regret. Our whole journey record is clean, and Scott's diary gives the account . . .

The Barrier has beaten us - though we got to the Pole.

"My beloved wife, these are small things, life itself is a small thing to me now, but my love for you is for ever and a part of our love for God. . . . I do not cease to pray for you and to desire that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will. (Later) God knows I am sorry to be the cause of sorrow to any one in the world, but every one must die and at every death there must be some sorrow. . . . . All the things I had hoped to do with you after this Expedition are as nothing new, but there are greater things for us to do in the world to come. . My only regret is leaving you to struggle through your life alone, but I may be coming to you by a quicker way. I feel so happy now in having got time to write to you. One of my notes will surely reach you.... Dad's little compass and Mother's little comb and looking-glass are in my pocket. Your little testament and prayer book will be in my hand or in my breast pocket when the end comes. All is well -

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From "Edward Wilson of the Antartic" pp. 293-294

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## 4,000 YOUNG FOLK TO SEE PRESIDENT

1,100 Going From Here Tonight 'Pilgrimage' to Capital to Back Youth Act

### CHURCH GROUPS INCLUDED

College Organizations, Unions and Settlement Houses Also-Roosevelt Talk on Program

York City will form one a national assembly of American Youth Con-bers who will Eleven hundred yo from New York City w fourth of a national fourth of a ahout 4,000 of ahout 4,000 and gress members who will converge on Washington to urge passage of the American Youth Act upon Pro-ting a four-day "pligrimage" last ing from tomorrow to Monday. William W. Hinckley, president of the congress, said that 350 mem-bers were to depart by buses to-night for Washington, leaving the headquarters of the congress, 35 converge assage of

were to depart for Washington, leavi night for Wa of the cons West Forty 9:30 at o'clock. Another bus contingent 600 will leave at 8 P. M. tomorre

tomorrow Earlier tomorrow night leave on a special train. night

Petitions to the President Petitions urging his support of the Youth Act will he presented to President Roosevelt. The bill is sponsored in the Senate by Ernset Lundeen, Farmer-Labor Senator from Minnesota, and in the House by two Democraty, Maury Maverick of Texas and H. Jerry Voorhis of California.

The provisions of the American Youth Act, drafted by the American Youth Act, drafted by the American Youth Congress, a national affiliation of youth Congress, a national affiliation of youth Congress, and would be spent on a propriation of \$500,000,000, Mr. Hinckley explained. The money would be spent on a public works fleed be spent on a system works projects—hosp ontrol, slum clearance construction—with em flood control, school

ool construction—with employ-at open to those job-seekers be-en the ages of 16 and 25 who unable to find work in private ustry. The bill The bill also proposes establishment of Federal scholarships and vocational guidance commissions.

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### MRS. BELMONT SEES MANY 'FRONTIERS'

Education, Science, Medicine and Industry Still Need to Advance, She Declares.

STRESSES SOCIAL SERVICE

She Receives an Honorary Degree at a Special Convocation

of Moravian College. Herry 1936 Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., May 23 .-"Let us conquer our frontiers" was the theme of Mrs. August Belmont of New York in an address made

this morning at a special convocation of the Moravian Seminary and College for Women held in the

Central Moravian Church. To Mrs. Belmont was awarded

the degree of Doctor of Letters.

and to Bruce Carey, director of the Bethiehem Bach Choir, the degree of Doctor of Music. The degrees were conferred by the Rev. Dr. E.

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J. Heath, president of the college. "Shame on those people who say that we have no more frontiers to conquer." said Mrs. Belmont. "When we think of the vast, uncultivated lands which this country

has, we know that physical frontiers exist. "But what is more important is the existence of frontiers in fields of education, science, medicine and industry. It was only seventy-five

years ago that Florence Nightingale founded the first organized nursing service for women. Now public health nursing has become an important factor in the public life to which thousands of women are devoting their lives-and thousands

more are needed to advance the frontiers of this profession. "The war and the depression have

intensified our interest in social welfare and social agencles. It is important that more highly trained women he found to advance the

frontiers of social service. "The new frontier of music and drama lies in its presentation hy

trained artists to appreciative audiences who have also been trained

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learn more about John's early history and

him and his ideas justice. "

## American Youth Act

This is the first draft of the American Youth Act, a bill sponsored by the American Youth Congress as an adequate supplement to the National Youth Administration. Suggestions that will make this program more effective are invited. We particularly urge youth to have a part in its final formulation.

### **AMERICAN YOUTH CONGRESS**

22 East 17th Street

New York City

### "The American Youth Act," a Bill

to provide under the terms of the Executive Order of June 26, 1935, establishing a National Youth Administration pursuant to the authority vested in the President by the Emergency Relief Appropriations Act of 1935 (Public Resolution No. 11—74th Congress) for vocational training and regular employment on public enterprises of unemployed youth between the ages of 16 and 25; to provide for full educational opportunities and vocational training for high school, college and post-graduate students, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United State of America in Congress assembled, that this act shall be known by the title, "The American Youth Act."

Section 2. All works projects authorized under the terms of this Act and the aforementioned Executive Order shall be projects actually beneficial to the community such as but not limited to the building, maintenance and operation of community centers of culture and recreation, libraries, playgrounds, public gymnasia and swimming pools, gublic health centers, adequate school facilities, public camp sites, and public rest shelters; and that no works projects so authorized shall be of a military character or under the jurisdiction of the Departments of War or Navy, or designed to subsidize any private profit-making enterprise.

Section 8. The Secretary of Labor and the Commissioner of Education are hereby authorized and directed to provide for the immediate establishment of a system of vocational training and regular employment on public enterprises for the purpose of providing regular wages for youth between the ages of 16 and 25, memployed through no fault of their own. These regular wages shall be equal to the prevailing rate of wages for the work performed, as determined by the local central labor union or trades council or other representative body of organized labor, or in cases where none exists, the average local wages for such work, but it shall in no case be less than \$15 per week plus \$3 for each dependent.

Section 4. This Act shall be administered and controlled, and the minimum compensation and conditions of work shall be adjusted by the Youtb Employment Commissions. These commissions will also determine eligibility for benefits under this Act on the principles herein provided. In all administrative boards set up under this Act and the aforesaid Executive

Order, not less than one-third of the membership shall consist of the elected representatives of youth organizations, allocated in proportion to the actual membership of such organizations within the jurisdiction, not less than one-third shall consist of the representatives of organized labor, similarly apportioned, and the remainder shall consist of representatives of local social service, education or consumers' organizations. The minimum compensation guaranteed by the terms of this Act shall be increased in conformity with the rise in the cost of living.

Section 5. The Secretary of Labor and the Commissioner of Education are hereby further authorized and directed to provide for full payments of fees plus the average weekly living expense of needy students in high schools and vocational schools, provided that such compensation, exclusive of all fees shall in no cases be less than \$15 per month. These payments shall become effective upon entrance into high school or vocational school and shall be made throughout the entire year.

Section 6. The Secretary of Labor and the Commissioner of Education are hereby further authorized and directed to provide for the immediate establishment of a system of regular employment on college projects for the purposes of providing regular wages for needy undergraduate and graduate students in colleges. These projects shall be of academic nature in accordance with the educational purposes of the institutions of higher learning. Those regular wages shall be equal to the prevailing rate of wages for the work performed, determined in the same manner as under the terms of Section 3 and/or by the local Youth Employment Commission; but shall in no case be less than \$25 per month. Employment on those projects shall be provided upon entrance into college and shall be continued throughout the entire year.

Section 7. The benefits of all sections of this Act shall be extended to all youth without discrimination because of nativity, sex, race, color, religious or political opinion or affiliation. No youth shall be disqualified from enjoying the benefits of this Act because of past or present participation in strikes or refusal to work in place of strikers, or at a less than average or local trade union wages, or under unsafe or unsanitary conditions or where hours are longer than prevailing union standards of a particular trade or locality or at an unreasonable distance from home, or at apprenticeship employment where work equal to that of adults or other young workers equal wages are not received.

Section 8. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury no otherwise appropriated sums as may be necessary for the purposes herein enumerated. Further taxation necessary to provide funds for the purposes of this Act shall be levied on inheritances, gifts, and individual and corporation incomes of \$5000 a year or over.

This American Youth Act was drawn up and is being sponsored by the American Youth Congress which is composed of 860 organizations representing 1,500,000 American youth. It is the product of the American Youth Congress but it belongs to the youth of America wherever they assemble, whether it be on the farm, in the factory, trade union, church, Y's, school, professional, fraternal, language or social groups. Your organization is cordially invited to fill out the blank below and mail your endorsement to the American Youth Congressics.

The Youth Congress movement, realizing that young people do not constitute a separate social force, but knowing that youth has special problems of its own that must be acted upon, was set up in August 1934, at New York University, New York City. It is an attempt to unite the youth of America on some common problems for the common good of all. It does not endorse any political party, creed or group and is non-sectarian in all its activities.

For more copies of this American Youth Act or additional information concerning affiliation to the American Youth Congress, you are requested to write the National Council of the American Youth Congress at 22 East 17th Street, New York City.



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## "Do it the hard way

HESE commencement exercises to-day at Olivet College happen to come at a time when fear and uncertainty once more beset our country and the world. On a half dozen European froi-biers stalks the threat of war. In the Far East,

iters stalks the threat of war. In the Far East, in Africa, and in Spain, there is real war, no less awful because it is undeclared. In our own land, and over many other countries, creeps the paralysis of depression, with all its unhappy train of unemployment, distress, bitterness, and despair. Altogether, the world today seems to stand in the situation once described by Daniel Boone. A friend had saked him if he were ever lost in the woods. "No., I never got lost," said Daniel, "Dut I have the woods and the standard of the standard of

It is not strange that at such a time there are those who look to the future with dread. Many will wish to flee to some snug haven of security and peace. Many are eager for the soft, easy assurances which lift from them the hard requirement of providing their own solutions. They want a short cut to salvation, and in this state of mind they find scant com-fort in the brusk counsels of their experience and common sense.

and common sense.

There are even those who voice a dolorous sympathy for you graduates. They see you today accepting a diploma from your college and tomorrow setting foot into an economic world that hes gone askew. They see that world as an idle, stagnant place. They see it barren of opportunity. They feel it holds no welcome for the young men and young women who come into it eager for advancement and seeking a chance to be of use,

### A FOREWORD

BY THE EDITORS

On June 19th of this year, Mr. Harlow H. Curtice, president and general manager of the Buick Motor Division, delivered the commencement address before the graduating class of Olivet

The address immediately received widespread public notice, and was made the subject of frequent editorial

A limited number of printed copies of the talk was soon exhausted, neces-sitating a second printing, which lasted not much longer.

not much longer.

As requests for copies of the talk continue to be received, the editors felt that it would make an article of more than passing interest to readers of The Buick Magazine.

The Butck Magazine. Accordingly, we reprint Mr. Cur-tice's oddress here in full, feeling that its message is one which can prove helpful not alone to young graduates but to those now returning to callege classrooms, as well as to their elders.

Containing no pat formulas for success, making no ottempt to outline a royal road to achievement, it is the sincere and outspoken philosophy of an eminently successful man whose record of achievement has been brightest in the years of gloomiest aspect.

Harlow H. Cartice (right) and Dr. Joseph Brower, president of Olivet College, following presentation of an honorary dector of laws degree to Mr. Curtice

I have no patience with that point of view. Nor do I sympathize with you. On the contrary, I enny you, deeply and sincerely, as anyone must who even dimly sees how great and how implacable are the needs of the world—needs which in future only its young men and young women can supply. Our views today are clouded with error. We have fallen into the weak assumption that opportunity is something apart from essential man. We look upon it as a sort of comman. We look upon it as a sort of commodity, an article subject to conditions of trade or circumstance, a provision from with-there is, as you know, an essential contradiction, or better still an intrinsic balance in all things required to make them complete. Thus we have light and dark, heat and cold, upper and under, spirit and matter, motion and rest, the ebb and flow of waters, the Intake and outgo of breath. With and with the rest and cold, upper and under spirit and matter, motion and the still a second the second that we have been also because the second the second that we have been also because the second that the second the second that t

new ones begun? Is there no call for Coll'age, for diligence, for understanding, for wisdom, for invention, for self-reliance, for leadership? Have we found the perfect solutions for all our problems—for unemployment, for justice as between all men, for unity among all our people? Has everyone everything he wants? Are there no better ways of making

things, or of making better things, or of making more things for more people? You know better. In this sense, the times are far richer in opportunity than any we have ever known. And this class before me is doubly fortunate. For, from what I know of the training you have had here in the last four years, believe you are advantaged not alone by the times but also by being especially well equipped to meet them.

Yours has heen a special privilege. The nation well might wish that there were more who had the benefit of the same training. For you have learned to make your own investigations, to dig to the heart of your questions to dig to the heart of your questions. Certainly in doing this you have discovered that no matter how much you have learned there are vast areas of undiscovered fact remaining for you to explore. And right there you have met one of the realities of life which you have met one of the realities of life which you have met one of the realities of life which cerning his father. "When I was a hoy of 14," said Mark, "my father was so ignorant I sould hardly stand to have bim around. But when I got to be 21 was astonished at how when I got to be 21 was astonished at how when I got to be 21 was astonished at how when I got to be 21 was astonished at how when I got to be 21 was a way in seven years."

S FOR your fitness for the problems you will encounter when you leave this school, I was much impressed the other day by the statement of a great educator. He was speaking generally of the young men and women of America to-

day. This is what he said:

We have never had finer young people. I make this statement advisedly and hase let on my knowledge of men as I know them in onlege today. They are the most studious, the most high minded, the most studious, the most make a most saturation of the most mature, and the finest thinkers that we have known in many generations, If indeed ever. They are head and shoulders above my in development. Those for my most of the most mature, and in the state of the studies of the state of the studies of the state of the studies. It is easy to compare them with older generations. The alumni who come hack to the college campus and relate the escapades and achievements of their student days are unconsciously presenting themselves as juvenile compared with this youth. The acts of which compared with this youth. The acts of which generation as toosine as intrigoing to this generation as toosine as intrigoing to this generation as toosine as intrigoing to the support of the state of the

That is magnificent tribute. It is inspiring. It puts to shame a good many of the anxieties and lamentations that older people voice about the future of our country and the world. You should he proud indeed to belong to a generation of which so fine a thing can he said. But that is only part of the story.

This educator goes on to say that there is a dark side to the picture. Speaking of the same capable young people, he says: "But there is something which they do not have. They have no passion. They have no cause to which they are consecrated. They have nothing to which they will give their lives advandom. They have nothing to which they are the place to go. They are the side of the side

There is more than energy in these phrases. There is acute penetration and a

precious nugget of truth. Our speaker was not content to leave the subject there. Seeking a cause, he draws a vivid contrast between the youth of America and the young people of less favored lands, the countries of fascism and communism. Of the latter, he said: and communsm. Of the latter, he said:
These young people do not have the education. This is inevitable, hecause education
there is dominated by the state and is a systernatic propaganda. This ceases to be education, and this pilful propaganda training is
the total of their educational experience.
They are not as mature and wise and intelliThey are not as mature and wise and intelligent as our young people, or they could not follow the medieval leadership which is provided them. In brief, they have not the stature, mentally or spiritually, which our stature, mentany or spiritually, which our young people have. But, in contrast they do have that which we have lost. Dwarfed men-tally, deprived educationally, befuddled spiritually, they do have a supreme consecration. They are on the march! They are engaged in a crusade. They are singing songs of victory. They have that for which they are willing to sacrifice all that they have. They have that which makes life worth-while, a magnificent obsession. Hence, we have the most striking youth contrast of any age of human history - one part poorly equipped, hut marching with a supreme consecration; the other part fully accoutered with all of the paraphernalia of the good fight, hut with no battle to wage and no cause for which to fight."

I have felt these statements to be worth

I have felt these statements to be worth bringing to your attention for two reasons: hecause they are illuminating and because the future here and abroad depends so greatly upon the young people described. You are part and parcel of these young people. It is your future that is concerned. In that sense, you are like my friend and associate, Charles Kettering. He once said: "Of course, I am deeply interested in the future. From now

your fiture that is concerned. In that sense, you are like my friend and associate, Charles Kettering. He once said: "Of course, I am deeply interested in the future. From now on, I am going to do all my living therefore, and training the control of the course, I am going to do all my living therefore, one of the course, I am going to do all my living therefore, one of the course, I am going to do all my living there and training; have you no hattle to wage? Is sitt true you bave no cause for which to fight! I disagree. I think you bave. I think you have the oldest cause in the world, and one of the noblest. Your battle is against the most insidious, and trieless of foes, Let me name sidious and trieless of foes, Let me name sidious and trieless of loss. Let me name sidious and trieless of loss, Let me name sidious and trieless of lose, Let me name sidious and lose the control of lose, Let me name sidious and lose the lose of lose, Let me name sidious and lose the lose of lose, Let me name sidious and lose, Let me name sidious and lose of lose, Let me name sidious and lose, L

SUPPOSE that by nature and experience I am a pragmaint. You may remember that the philosopher who coined that word divided all people into two classes: the tough minded and the tender minded. The tender minded are the tender minded and the tender minded. The tender minded are the tender minded as they are. Then, they set themselves to grapple with them as they are, as the first step toward making them he what they first step toward making them he what they see matters not as they are into as they were. The tender minded are just the opposite the tender minded are just the opposite them to see matters not as they are but as they wish they were. They look for improvement in their own situation to come from some helpful influence outside them. They gloss over the harsh angularities of unpleasant truth with the comforting polish of sophistry. They are grapetual waters of rose-colored glasses. perpetual waters of rose-colored glasses account without the indexender of a following first of the month.

There is no doubt that the tender minded are vastly in the majority today. Temporarily, at least, over a great part of the world, their ideas prevail, as do their numbers. You can see the drift of social evolution under their pressure, as in Europe now you see wast their pressure, as in Europe now you see wast income to be income to be income in their pressure, as the tender in the mass. Even here in America, you sense the pull of "the collective," as day by day the government, through taxattion and regulation, forces us all to give the collection of the collectio

An emhent contemporary historian has summed all this up in these words: "Now, apparently, many men are again feeling homesick for the herd. They devote themselves ardently to whatever there is left in selves ardently to whatever there is left in through the sheep. They want to march through the sheep. They want to march through the sheep. They want to march through the sheep. They want to the path, shoulder to shoulder, wool mitted wool, and the head down. This is the reason why so many European peoples are looking for a shepherd and a sheep dog."

HERE does this trand have its root. I think it is a trait deep huried in human nature. It has a huried in human nature. It has a huried in there. But, in eretain epic times and places—under some spur of necessity, exaltation, or faith—man has fortified his spirit, heaten down his fears, conquered this trait, and stepped forth as the master of his destiny. In such times and places, the human race has known its highest accomplishment and dignity, and what we tow as progress has come most gloriously town as progress has come most sporting and of rittude, and intelligence have conraga and fortitude, and intelligence have conraga and fortitude, and intelligence have covered thing and a misery hut an adventure rich and fine. This trait I mention is in us all. But it is

This traft I mention is in us all. But it is to be seen at its most evident worst in those people that the philosopher has described as the tender minded. Indeed, it is their distinguishing characteristic. It is not hard to recognize, no matter in what guise it appears, you can spot it every time. I think I can define this traft to you in six words. The six words are these: They do not wont to pay!

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hankruptcy of spirit and resource even those sturdier fellows whose faith and works alone had built the world in which they all had lived.

nad that the world in winds they all stad wells of the control of the property of the increase. It is fair to ask, how did they get that way. Granting the trait we have been discussing is universal in men and women, how is it nutrured and fed? It is fed, in my opinion, by the treacherous instinct in all of us to seek an influence outside ourselves on which to blame our shortcoming, and more all the blame our shortcoming, and more all the control that have found general acceptance in recent years. The gist of these beliefs is this that man is a victim of forces beyond his control; that his make-up and abilities are the result of heredity, circumstance, or chance; that his success, progress, and happiness depend on conditions outside master, of his fate. The drift in this direction has been going on a long time.

This philosophy has always been the refuge of the crawen and the weak. But in the last century or two most of the sciences have tended to contribute toward its spread. Physics and chemistry have given us a mechanistic concept of the universe: they suggest that the world is a machine, operated by laws of cause and effect, and in this machine man is just a cog. Biology echoes much the same story: man is a physical organism controlled Astronomy shows us a universe of wheels within wheels, in which infinite universe man is a tiny dot of no importance. Geology and evolution pieture man as just a higher spe. Endocrinology advises us the glands regulate personality. If you eat too much, drink too much, have phobias, hysterias, or even commit murder under certain circumstances of emotional stress, you can pretty easily find an authority nowadays to say that you are brought about by the pressures and tensions of modern civilization.

HIS is all very convenient, if not quite admirable. It is plausible and influential, if not quite true. It omits only one factor in the equation, which I believe to be the dominant factor. It

heve to be the dominant factor. It is not look that quality in man which marks the tooks that quality in man which marks the choice of "I can't' as against "I will." It is choice of "I can't' as against "I will." It is like the missing factor which is always upsetting the most intricate calculations of the economists. I mean the factor of people, whose unpredictable wants and tastes are forever exploding the formulae h which they are not exploding the formulae h which they are not circumstance, a little cog in a big machine, himself a predetermined device that can be kept running only by this mechanic or that himself a predetermined device that can be kept running only by this mechanic or that himself a predetermined device that can be kept running only by this mechanic or that himself a predetermined dark of his fact and the captain of his soul. We have had doctrines of predestination in the past that were dynamic, that called forth the full abilities and courage of men. But the full abilities and courage of men that of faith, it is the fatalism of despair, it is not the product it has insinuated itself through all aspects of our thinking. Even our everyday vocabulary is spotted with a rash of intellectual super-

stitions and scientific recipes for defeat. If you seek evidence of this, listen to what is said around you, nowadays, not so much ceptain human conducts as to excess it, to explain human conducts as to excess it. the cars with echo-like fidelity. Thus, "personality is something you're born with, you have it or you don't. Again, "His I.Q. is low. He's sunk, definitely." Again, "He has no

head for figures. It's impossible to teach him arithmetic." Again, "He suffers from an inferiority complex, what can you expect." The contribution of the property of the suffers of the s

The standard of the average man can be raised only by changing the system.

Social security depends on old age pensions and unemployment insurance, rather than on the character and capacity of a man and his family.

Future depressions and future wars can be averted only by passing new laws.

America will permanently have millions of unemployed, most of wbom will remain unemployable even if jobs are available.

Weak characters and personalities are the result of being underprivileged, and can be improved by raising incomes.

The frontiers of the country are all gone, with no more opportunities for a man or family to pioneer a new life.

These are but a few of the current beliefs reflecting the mechanistic concept of man and society. I hope, in the resilience and candro and clarity of your fresh young minds, you and clarity of your fresh young minds, you will result the control of the control o

Tell the planner who would rob you of your independence, "Physician, heal thyself!"

HAVE, then, in our perplexed of the perplexe o

they do with themselves will result in their bettering their situation. These are the durable and useful people. These are the people who, after the tumult and the shouting are over, sustain any form of society, no matter what label it bears.

An ironical accompaniment of the philosophy of defeat is that it develops intellects whose confidence knows no bounds. It breeds minds not narrowed by knowledge. These seek to use this philosophy of individual help-lessness as a lever to move the world. Having contempt alike for the characters and possibilities of men, and a zealot's faith in social-economic schemes, their ambitious plans are the ultimate expression of a time which substitutes ideas for experience, abstractions for reality, and secolous theory for man himself.

HE RESULT of such teachings is to emphasize the concept of man as help-less in an unfeeling universe, and this concept has mailiestations everywhere. It is seen in the increasing tendency of parents to insulate their children from the realities of life, and the consequent attitude among children of: Let father do it. Let him give me an allowance. Let him provide me an education. Let him take the

Let him give me an allowance. Let nun provide me an education. Let him take the
responsibility while I take the liberties.
It is seen among adults in their attitude
toward civic duties. Let the city take care of
cities, the attitude its: Let the state take care
of its people. And the states have said: Let
the government take care of our citizens on
relief, of economic problems, labor disputes,
law enforcement, local public improvements.
Step by step, individuals have denied their
independence and pushed their responsiindependence and pushed their responsi-

billities farther away.

The claim or in recent years is altogether about the rights and liberties of citizens; less and less is heard about their responsibilities, which alone make rights and liberties possible. Vast numbers of citizens have delegate their moral and economic independence to others, and have accepted the role of a victim or a beneficiary. The process has been aptly described as the most wholesale degradation of character and personality which the world has ever seen.

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One, you young men and

ones, have you no battle towage? No cause
for which to fight? Every sign of the latalism
to which to fight? Every sign of the latalism
I have described is a proof to the contrary.
You have the age-old battle of the brave and
true and useful, the cause in which the stout
hearted and the tough minded always join
as comrades. You have the honor and the
duty of demonstrating to lesser men, to those
about you poor in purpose and weak in will,
that the power to advance and grow resides
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I am conscious as I speak to you now bow little I can really give you either of advice or little I can really give you either of advice or everything to be of value must be earned, stands in the way. The struggle must be yours to make its triumph yours. The beliefs of other men, native to them, through trial and hardship and heart searching, never can be your innost conviction. You must win

through to your own.

But I can tender you such assurance as

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OUTSIDE the region itself, nobody got very excited when a fleet of dredges started out, in February of 1936, to build an island in San Francisco Bay. Adjoining the dredge operations on the

Adjoining the dredge operations on the south, engineers were putting the finishing touches on the eight-and-one-half-mile San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, largest bridge

in the world

A short distance to the west, cables had been draped over the magnificent towers of the Golden Gate Bridge, and the deck of the world's longest single span was ready for placement.

But, despite their overwhelming competition for engineering honors, the dredges continued doggedly to pump sand onto the island site, over pontoon-floated pipe lines, at the rate of from 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 cubic yards a month. Their job was to fill in the 400-acre area—more than a mile long and over two thirds of a mile wide—with approximately 20,000,000 cubic yards of material, for the entire prospective site was on an average of 4.6 feet under water.

Huffing and puffing tugs then began wrestling derrick barges to the island site from the quarries of Napa, Marin, and Contra Costa with 280,000 tons of solid rock for a great sea wall three miles in length.

Before publicity caught up with them, United States Army engineers had supervised final construction of the world's largest artificial island for the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition.

With equal speed, a staff of leading western architects and artists undertook the creation of building features never before included in a fair of world proportions. Inspired by the modern grandeur of the bay bridges, influenced by the traditional styles of both the occident and the orient, the exposition palaces truly entitle their site to the name "Pressure Island."

The expected 20,000,000 visitors to this glamorous Golden Gate International Exposition will meet a double esplanade of main exhibit palaces, 100 feet high, running on two axes, at right angles, interspersed by brilliant courts and murals. The dominant exposition tower, 392 feet bigh, is in the central court and leads to the Court of the East, with the gold-domed Temple of Music facing the Lake of All Nations, around which foreign buildings rise. Northern terminus of the mile-long main esplanade, with its Avenue of the Seven Seas, is the Court of the Hemispheres, portal to the Theater of the Sky. Most important of the exhibit structures will be the Hall of Science; Hall of Foods, Beverages, and Agriculture; Aviation Palace; House and Garden Buildings; Hall of Mines, Metals, and Machinery; Hall of Electricity and Communications; International Art Palace; and Vacationland.

Under the able direction of John McLaren, creator of Golden Gate Park and gardens for three previous expositions, California and the Pacific Ocean nations will provide thousands of flowers, trees, and shrubs, to create arbored boulevards, huge sunken gardens, and colorful flower beds on Treasure Island. At a cost of \$500,000, thousands of floral specimens have been grown in bay region

parks for transplanting to Treasure Island.

Lighting effects have been entrusted to A. F. Dielerson and J. W. Gosling, internationally known illuminating engineers and oc-creators of the first indirect lighting in history, at the 1915 Panama-Pacific Exposition. "It is our hope," they say, "to create an illusion, at night, of a jeweled island floating in air over the gleaming bay waters, while overhead multihued beams of light sweep the sky."

Recreation, man's heritage from a machine age, will supply the principal theme of the exposition. With justifiable pride, the Pacific empire will throw a spotlight on its cinemar, radio, and television; its giant water and power projects, which have aided man in its enjoyment of leisure time. Everything useful to man, from exquisite art subjects to prodigious machines, will be there.

California's \$50,000,000 exposition will also present the modern science of transportation as a fitting theme for celebration of the great bridges and the inauguration of the first trans-Pacific airline linking the occident and the science.

Through the Golden Gate, giant air elippers come soaring homeward to California, their hulls loaded with the passengers, cargo, and mail of Hawaii, the Philippines, and the Far East. And from the Atlantic coast, South America, Mexico, and Canada come sky transports to their western American terminals on San Francisco Bar minals on San Francisco Bar

The greatest aeronautical pageant in history is planned in conjunction with the exposition, with spectacular mobile and

# Hiding their light under their bushels

The winner gets \$100, the losers get experience and more callouses. There's no stadium and not much fanfare. Yet the National Corn Husking Contest is easily one of the biggest of big-time competitions



Elmer Carlson, of Audubon, Iona, setting the present world record of 41.5 bushels of corn in eighty minutes. Note "hook" strapped to his right hand, its teeth are over his palm.

HIS fellow at our right is thirty-six years old. He couldn't sprint a hundred in ten, even if he had starting blocks. He couldn't snag a long, drifting punt in a bushel basket. He stepped into a racing shell, he would capsize it before he sat down.

But this morning he is going to put on a performance that will encourage stars in those famous sports to tuck their laurels away in safe deposit boxes. For he is a typical competitor in the National Corn Husking Contest, and, look around as much as you like, you won't find any other athletic event that beats this for sheer grinding action.

They're lining up now: twenty men from ten major corn-producing states. Each husker is at his own "land"—six rows of lofty corn down a field more than five hundred yards long. He will shuck two rows at a time.

There's the bomb for "ready." Drivers gun their tractors. Huskers make sure their hooks are tightly strapped in place. Gleaners glance back, warning the crowd not to close up too much.

Another bomb, sixty seconds laterthey're off. Tractors growl into the core, acho
bauling a brightly painted wagon with a
high, silver-hued bangboard. Drivers glance
frequently to the side, making sure they're
even with their man all the time. They paw
nervously at their controls—if one of these
tractors laid down on the job, its manufacturer might as well rub that territory off his
sales map.

One-pound ears of corn are plunking against the bangboards and dropping into the wagons. Huskers are walking, leaning, straightening up; their hooks are ripping through the shucks; their hands are grabbing, twisting, throwing—too fast for the

eye to follow.

Here: watch one of the favorites. Pretend
this is slow motion.

His left hand closes, viselike, around the shank end of an ear. His right hand, its pulm armed with a businesslike hook, tears along the ear from tip to shank. The left hand worms under the torn shucks. Both hands twist quickly in opposite directions. The right hand flings the ear up against the wagon's bangboard. He leans over to the wagon's bangboard. He leans over to the the wagon's bangboard. He leans over to the turns to the first row again. A stalk is down; he drops to strip it clean. He is up again, with no break in his movement.

He husked fifteen ears while you read that last paragraph.

Borrow a stop watch and time this man. Plunk . . . plunk . . . plunk-plunk—those big ears are bulleting against the bangboard at the rate of fifty and more a minute. And he is keeping it up.

Some of the stalks are down. Some of the ground is gumbo mud. But he has to keep stepping along.

Some of the shucks seem wired to the ears; he has to paw them off. Some of the

ears are nubbins under three inches long; he mustn't waste time on them.

His light jersey clings to his wet back and chest. His shoes are shapeless with mud. Sweat runs into his eyes.

You're tired yourself. Look at your watch, You've been trudging along for half an hour. Fifty minutes—nearly an hour more—to go. There's no time out for these men; not even if they gouge themselves with their hooks or sprain an ankle.

sprain an ankle. Stand back, you folks in the crowd. A hundred thousand people are swarming over this field; but don't interfere with the husk-res, not even to help them. These folks take their husking seriously. You would have realized that keenly had you been around, years ago, when some contest horses balked at the start. They never used horses again.

About time for this contest to wind up, isn't it? No—half an hour to go. Yet these husky farmers are tearing through the corn just as viciously as when they started.

The gleaners, you notice, are finding an occasional ear that was missed. They're combing every stalk. Every pound of unhusked ears over three inches long means three pounds off the total load.

The wagon wheels are cutting deep now. You can hear those tractor engines growl low for a moment, and your heart skips. But it's all right—they get past the soft place and their roar is high pitched and reassuring again.
You forget, now, that it's November and
chilly. These huskers are sopping wet. During the eighty minutes, they lose between six
and eleven pounds per man.

But they're in condition; been shucking corn for years, and keeping in training. To get here, they must first win in their county, then in the state contest. Champions and runners-up are here from Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin,

Time is getting short. A golden mound is showing in some of the wagons. A few of them have a long lead on the others; but that's not a sure sign of victory. Their loads will be cleaned, and there will be a heavy penalty for husks left on the ears before final announcements will be made.

Folks around you are looking sharply at their watches. Ten minutes to go. The huskers open their final burst of speed. Your ears buzz with the ripping of husks, the plunk of ears on bangboards, the roar of tractors, and the excited yelling of the watching thousands.

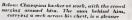
The contest is over. Stroll around now; talk to the huskers while you wait for the scores to be posted.

You meet young men here. But, for the most part, these champions are seasoned veterans.

Elmer Carlson, of Audubon, Iowa, was twenty-six when he won the national in 1935 and set the present record of 41.5 bushels an average of more than fifty ears a minute for eighty minutes. For the benefit of nexreel photographers, he whipped out more than sixty ears in one minute.

In 1936, Elmer withdrew from competition to give his brother Carl a better chance. Carl was thirty-eight then, but he justified his brother's confidence by winning thecounty, state, and national contests with outstanding performances.

Last year, Ray Hanson, of Bingham Lake, Minnesota, another thirty-eight-year-old





Crosed watching recigling in of corn at the national. Notice baughourds on huskers' wagon ot left. Left: Ray Hanson, of Minnesota, presen champion, after bis victory last fall

veteran, won the national crown; and he called on experience rather than brawn to do it. A chilly rain was falling during the competition, and Hanson, remembering that the plenalty for husks was trebled when they ran more than ten ounces per hundredweight to cern, realized that husks would weigh three or four times more when wet than when dry. So, while less seasoned competitors to codown the field, Hanson took it slow and easy, peeling his ears with extreme care.

Aside from possible bad weather, contestants at the national don't run into any unpleasantries. For this year's event, to be held near Sious Falls, South Dakota, during the first week in November, four fields were specially planted and prepared. All the seed was hybrid; the seed was treated and the fields fertilized. From planting time unit September 1st, when the best field of the four was selected for the contest, the farmers who cultivated them were as fussy as an English governess taking her charge through a dynamite plant. If there's better corn anywhere in the country, it's miraculous.

When the bright-painted wagons line up again this year, they'll mark the fifteenth National Corn Husking Contest. It was back in 1924 that the first national was held—two years after Henry A. Wallace, Iowa publisher and present secretary of agriculture, stated the ears plunking by promoting a county contest in lowa to see whether or not there was any truth in the tall tales told by some of his farmer friends after a day's busking. Since then, interest in competitive husking bas been increasing steadily.

Try to be out in Sioux Falls for the contest this November. Crowds will run well over a hundred thousand. If you can't be there, listen in. The NBC will broadcast it over as many stations as a World Series.

It's a big event, one of the most grueling, action-packed sports of them all. But you've got to see it to find that out. You won't hear any loud talk from the champions.

They're inclined, it seems, to hide their light under their bushels of corn.



## Buick punches



Time stands still, while these old valve-in-head engines continue their uncommon labor

There's no deep, dark secret about the traditional long life of a Buick Valve-in-Head engine. It's built, at greater cost, to meet stiffer requirements. It's a simpler engine, both in construction and function. It develops maximum power at slower engine speeds, and thus never taxes its vast reserve of trouble-free stamina. Here's proof of those statements; you'll find it everywhere:



L. BUICK OPERATES OIL RIG. In Becyille lexas, A. R. Poliler operates this oil rig. Behind him, you see the rodintor of a 1929 Buick engine nim, you see the roduktor of a 1929 Butck engine which operates the rig. A second Butck engine operates the slinds pump. With this equipment, Mr. Pobler has drilled to a depth of 1,700 feet, and states that his Butck engines ore economical and furnish comple power under hard, daily usage.

BUICK SUPPLIES FACTORY POWER. Originally owned by V. D. Green, of Cleveland, Ohio, the 1924 Buick engine shown of right was installed the 1921 Buick engine shown of right was installed by The Meriom Company, Cleveland, at The Ferris Brick & Tile Co., Honston, Texas, It starts the moin engine (left), supports the main engine under peak loads, and drives small motors in its spare time. 31, kNPETIN NODFLED when Peckskill (New York) Soo Scoute replaced on unsatisfactory morine engine with on old Buick engine in their thirty-disc box S.S. Jans Feek. Brising a boxt, the state of the sta 3. EXPERTS SCOFFED when Peckskill (New



4. IN 1908, George Blake, farmer near forase Lake, Michigan, bought this Model 16 Buick roadsters the same model that set a new track record of aventy-two miles out that your of thilampolis. Follow, the same that you was the same to the Mr. Blake uses the engine to saw wood for himself and his neighbors. Mr. Block shown booking at a new Buick catalog with Mr. Blake uses the same that the same shown booking at a new Buick catalog with Cambridge and the same and the same Automobile Sales, while Buick salesman A. J. Beanoyer inspect the old Buick.

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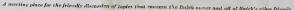






By 1777 Burties

President and General Manager, Buick Motor Division





### It Must Be the Climatel

KIDDING California about its climate is one of the recognized indoor sports of the nation.

But the more one learns of the way Californians do things in the Golden State the more the feeling grows that "maybe they've got something there!"

If you've read the interesting article in this issue of the coming world's fair at San Francisco, you'll observe that Californians apparently are not content to rest on their glories for even the briefest spell.

While work was still going on on two of the greatest bridges in the world - bridges that "couldn't be built" - these busy people were creating out of nothing a site for their 1939 international exposition.

Typical of California is the scale of these operations. They built a big island while they were building-a 400-acre expanse where only four and a half feet of water was found before. They are building a sea wall three and a half miles long, and, to make sure visitors have comfortable going-andcoming accommodations, plan ferries which alone can carry half a million passengers in eight hours, in addition to those who will reach the island by car and bus.

It is interesting to note, too, that all this is for no mere transitory purpose. The five million flowers may bloom and fade, the exhibit palaces may be leveled and the tall towers felled, but after the exposition is over Treasure Island itself. as well as numerous buildings, will remain to serve as a spacious air terminal and seaplane base.

There will be many reasons for visiting San Francisco's big exposition next year. The infinite interest in the city itself is a magnet no less powerful in its pull than the attractions of the exposition. The remarkable demonstration of human enterprise and ingenuity is alone ample reason for a tour westward.

And piling invitation on invitation are the countless wonders of the West-the redwood region, Yosemite, Lake Tahoe, Monterey, Hollywood, the great Northwest, not to mention the glorious country tourists from the East will pass through en route.

A good show on a grand scale you can be sure of-that's the way California does things. And if you go in your Buick you'll receive a welcome of special warmth, for many are the Buick owners you'll find there to greet you as one with kindred

### "Do it the hard way" (Continued from page 5)

may be found in the fact that the world greatly needs what you can give. Do not think there is no place for you; there is. Do not make the mistake of thinking the job is finished; it is barely begun. The world is wellnigh desperate in its want of men and women who can do better what is already being done, and who can do nobly what is yet to come. And, if you want a word of suggestion, let me say this. There is a current phrase often scornfully used nowadays called "Doing it the hord way." Forget the scorn and make that phrase your watchword. You can't lose,

Yes, whether you teach or farm or clerk or mind a machine or run a surveying chain or sell goods or drive a ship or run a factory or go into politics: do it the hard way. Give more of yourself than your job has a right to expect. The more you give, the more you will have in yourself to give. The more you have to give, the greater the call for your services. The more you think, the more you stretch your skull. The more you stretch your skull, the bigger the thoughts you have room for. Whatever you do, give oll of yourself to it-immerse yourself in it, surrender yourself to it, fuse yourself into it, lose yourself in it. Every moment in that process, you are adding to the only capital that no one can take away.

Be wary of the benefits that do not benefit. Shun the delusive aids that betray your strength. Whom do you think a 30-hour week would really help? Would it help most the man who worked 30 hours? Of course not! In the long run, it would help most of allby widening the margin between him and 30-hour men-the man who, alive in every fibre with the exaltation of accomplishment, works 40, 50, 60 hours in the timelessness of his absorption, works lost in the intensity of his concentration, works irresistibly through to the true reward of all high endeavor, the mastery of the task that faced him.

Do it the hard way! Think ahead of your job. Then, nothing in the world can keep the job ahead from reaching out for you. Do it better than it need be done. Next time, doing it will be child's play. Let no one or anything stand between you and the difficult task; let nothing deny you this rich chance to gain strength by adversity, confidence by mastery. success by deserving it. Do it better each time. Do it better than anyone else can do it. I know this sounds old fashioned. It is, but it has built the world. Take it or leave it, as you will-it is the best I have learned from all the days of my life.

Go forth, then, and let nothing you dismay. Go from your college into the world, knowing that it needs you and will welcome your gifts, once you compel its attention to them. Be bold, knowing that no one can cheat you but yourself. Have faith, but have purpose also, as the old Scotch preacher has in his prayer:

"Oh, Lord, guide us aright, for we are verra, verra determined."

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### Michael Faraday (1791-1867)

"The names of famous men become our household words. We drink pasteurized milk. We weer mercerized materials. We use galwanzed iron. We call a certain form of food a sandwich because Lord Sandwich reputedly made the first one. And the French execute criminals on the guillotine.

"In science especially the pioneers have been honored by the use of their names. In the field of electricity alone there is the volt, the ampere, the watt, the ohm, the coulomb, and the farad. The last one holds our attention at the moment. Half a dozen words in the vocabulary of science come from this one stem, fared, feradic, feradize, and others, all from the name of Michael Faraday, the pioneer in electromagnetics.

"Only those with a technical education will understand the statement that the fared is the electro-magnetic unit of capacity, but anyone who ever owned a Model T Ford knows what a magneto is. It was the work of Fareday that made possible the magneto and the generator, and every time you use an auto you owe a debt of gratitude to a bookbinders' apprentice who was interested in physics.

"He was one of these poor lads beginning life under difficulties who have startled the world with their genius. He was born near London, September 22, 1791, the son of a blacksmith. Apprenticed to a bookbinder, he made his own way and practically educated himself by reading, devoting his spare time to ingenious experiments in physics. A customer in the shop one day found the young apprentice enthralled with an article on electricity in an encyclopedia he was binding. He sent the young man to hear four lectures by Sir Humphrey Davy, the leading scimitst in England. Young Faraday took notes and wrote them out in full, and then, encouraged by his friend, he sent them to Sir Humphrey for correction and comment. The reply we are told was 'immediate, kind, and favorable,' and a few months later, on his recommendation, the young man was made assistant at the Royal Institution of Great Britain. And thus another genius was discovered! For two years he traveled on the continent with Sir Humphrey Davy. He became director of the laboratory in 1825. He remained in the Institution for fifty-four years, baving been made research professor of Chemistry in 1835.

"He made many and far-reaching discoveries in chemistry. Every time you use a piece of material dyed with aniline dyes you are indebted to Faraday, the discoverer of benzol, which is the basis of aniline dyes. He succeeded in liquifying several gases and invented new kinds of optical glass. He began his experiments in electricity with a kind of 'battery' made of seven copper half pennies, seven discs of zinc, and six pieces of paper moistened with salt water. But it worked and he decomposed sulphate of magnesia with it. He worked with magnets and traced out those mysterious lines of magnetism which group themselves around the poles of a magnet. They are still called 'lines of force, the name he gave them. In 1821 at the age of thirty Faraday succeeded in making electrically charged coils of wire and magnets revolve around each other. The magneto, the generator, and the dynamo are all developments of these experiments and those still more famous ones ten years later when he discovered the principle of induced electric currents. The principles he discovered are among the A B C is of electricity today. They were epoch-making discoveries then, and from them have come a thousand appliances in everyday use. Electro-magnets, transformers, dynamos, telegraph, telephone, radios, Faradic batteries, electric lights, and electric bells are all the fruits of Faraday's discoveries. He experimented with the decomposition of liquids by an electric current. He gave us the names 'anode' and 'cathode' for the electric terminals in a liquid or a vacuum. In 1845 he discovered that the plane of polarized light can be rotated by magnetic force, thus proving that light and electricity are related.

"F. W. Boreham in his book called a Handful of Stars has related an incident which illuminates Faraday's point of view. When he was on the point of death 'they tried to interview him. "What are your speculations?" they inquired. "Speculations?" he asked in wondering surprise. "I have none. I am resting on certainties. I know Whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him until that day."' 'For fifty years,' says Boreham, 'ne worked among the speculations of science whilst in his soul the certainties which cannot be shaken were singing their deathless song.'"

Louis Pasteur (December 27, 1822-September 28, 1895)

"In a famous cemetery in France a plain stone monument with a brief, impressive inscription, Here rests Pasteur.' Nothing more is needed. There had been other Pasteurs before him. Doubtless there will be others after him, but there is only one Pasteur. So long as men continue to live on this planet under present conditions, so long as it is necessary to battle with disease and decay and invisible organisms, so long will the name of Pasteur be remembered and honored.

"If you were asked to give the most illustrious name on the honor roll of France, you might be tempted to think of Napoleon; but when the school children of France were asked to name the greatest man in their country's history, they voted not for Napoleon but for Pasteur. No soldier won such victories for his country. No statesmen so added to national revenues; no public servant did so much for the peace of mind and body of his countrymen as the little man of whom it was inscribed, 'dere rests Pasteur.'

"That was no casual epitaph. Pasteur was a worker. 'The will to work opens the door to life's success,' he said. 'Mork, always, work,' he said again and again with the sense of a great task upon him. 'There is work to be done' were almost his final words,

"His work made him one of the greatest men of all time. He founded the science of bacteriology. He proved the existence of microbes. He found that some were friendly and some were deadly to human life. He devised means to help the friendly germs and to thwart the deadly ones in their work. He helped to make the world a safer place for animals and men. His studies of the almost invisible forms of life enabled him to save the silk industry of France; to help the wine and beer and vinegar producers to preserve and improve their products. Huxley, himself a scientist, said that Pasteur had saved his country more than the amount of the enormous indemnity exacted by the Germans in the Franco-Prussian War.

"Before his time men generally believed that living things could arise spontaneously from lifeless matter. Pasteur showed that it was not so. He proved that life came from already existing life, and whatever else his experiments proved they pointed directly and beyond dispute to the existence of a Creator who originally put life on this planet. Do not forget that in the midst of all the loose talk in the present day about creative evolution and the origin of life. Evolution never created life. That was the work of God. Pasteur's researches did not disturb his faith in God. They only confirmed it.

"He proved that the living forms which appeared mysteriously in liquids came from micro-organisms that float invisibly in the air. He showed that these tiny organisms from the air cause fermentation in liquids and infection in wounds. He showed that when these germs are excluded there can be no fermentation, no infection. He opened the way to the treatment of infectious diseases. He made possible antiseptic surgery.

"Louis Pasteur was borh in the Jura Mountain district of France two days after Christmas in 1822. At the age of twenty he entered the normal school in Paris to specialize in chemistry. Did the professor who wrote 'Mediocre' on Pasteur's entrance papers live to be astonished at his pupil? One wonders!"

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each Sunday. We knew that it represented from a fourth to a half of what she earned each week and an elder and I remonstrated with her. "You should not give so much", we argued, "The Lord, we are sure, asks no more than a tenth from you. You should put something aside for your old age when there will be no one to support you."

"Ah" she replied, "But the good Lord said, 'Be not anxious."" not

To that we agreed but we reminded her that He had/bidden us give all that we had, nor had He forbidden us make some provision for the future. But she clinched the argument for herself when she said finally by way of dismissing us, "Ah, but you do not know how much I love the Lord." I suppose that that sums up too the consecration that is expressed in the widow's mite. It is love so deep and so fine that we ordinary folk can't appreciate it.

I hope that you will see that these dollars get to Ivan Wilson's work with just a word to him in regard to their source.

With kindest regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

(signed)

NORMAN E. NYGAARD

Letter from Chiang Kai Cluk and wife

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Aletter from two of the most pepresentative persons in the public life of thina today

My dear Bishop Roots:

In reference to our conversation last week in which you mentioned that you are soon sailing for America, my husband and I are taking this opportunity to send through you a greeting and a challenge to the Christians in America.

Communism in China today offers Christianity its supreme challenge. The two exist side by side. The people of China everywhere are weighing the program of Christianity against that of Communism.

Certain areas of China are definitely in Communist hands. In the provinces of Fukien and Kiangai, for example, through the great effort of our Nationalist armies this spring, many pertions have been regained from the Communist control. In the rehabilitation of these areas, the Christian Church must demonstrate as universal a concern for the needs of common men as Communism has professed.

Far from the policy of retrenchment to which the churches of America have committed her, China needs not fewer missionaries but more; trained to advance a program of rural reconstruction, education, methods of cooperative effort with the humility to learn from the Chinese their own needs, but above all requirements, filled with the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ and the zeal of His service.

We believe that Christianity can give to China what Communism never can--a sense of the Divine Purpose of a loving Heavenly Father in our lives.

We pray for the help of the Christians in America, that we may not fail Him in His high purpose for China.

## Letters from Condition for Forty descent

Stanley Gould ran an elevator from four P.M. to midnight each day so that his wife might have the privilege of studying at the seminary. She was the first woman to receive an M.A. in Religious Education from McCormick.

August Orr

"I answered Mr. Sterrett's appeal with a reduction of \$25.00.

That doesn't mean I over-estimated my budget previously but I feel there is no reason w why I shouldn't share a bit of the heavy financial responsibility you leaders face for our sakes. I have never failed to find a way out financially, although at U.D.U, I went on three square meals once in three weeks, but that didn't do me any harm, and I did learn how it felt to be hungry, so I know the experiences of many people today. I have quite a number of times been without money, gone to the postoffice, or received in the direct mail, to find money from some friend, which money I had in no way solicited or expected. Then, too, I maintain my hospital job and have gotten \$205. the past year as donor at transfusions."

Henry Schweinfurth - Medical student in Northwestern. - running elevator every night from 11 P.M. to 7 A.M. in order to secure medical training for Foreign Mission service. When asked if not too great a strain, he laughed and said, "No, I have gained 10 lbs. since taking the job and find that with the quiet uninterrupted time for study, my work is steadily improving."

Arch Gould - I wrote Dr. Gould in September that if a grant of \$50 to \$75. would help him out of his difficulty, we would try and find the amount for him. He replied, "You were most kind in your letter of September 15th. Since I last communicated with you I have given a blood transfusion and consequently have sufficient funds to last me for the next few months. If I am fortunate enough to serve again as a donor in December or January, I shall be able to take care of my expenses without any outside help".

James Herring - Earned his own way through college and two years of medical school; was forced to drop out and teach two years and to earn money for the last two years of medical school-Buring this time he became engaged to a young lady and they decided to marry while he was still teaching in the University of Illinois. Mrs. Herring left her kindergarten work at the Gary Neighborhood House and took a course in secretarial work-When they had supported the medical school, and Mrs. Herring secured a splendid secretarial position and supported the two of them while Dr. Herring finished his medical work.

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And the voice of India was uttered by the Bishop of Dornakal in the appeal
which he sent to the meeting of the British students in Edinburgh in January
1933:

"We cannot, therefore, at this time restrain ourselves from sending you a call to 'come over and help us' with all the earnestness and passion at our command.

"1. There are wast regions in many parts of India and Burma into which

the message of God's revelation in Christ has not yet penetrated.

"2. There are still whole classes of people, even in already evangelized regions (like the middle class Hindus, Muslims, Buddhists, and Untouchables) to whom Christ and His message have not yet been demonstrably put.

"3. The small Church in India needs outside aid to train its manhood and its womanhood and its ministry for national Christian Service and for

effective witness to the regenerating power of Christ.

"4. The rural Churches and those established among classes of people once despised and suppressed need guidance and help to enable them to play their part in service for rural India.

"5. Doctors and Educationalists are needed for Mission Hospitals and

Colleges - to serve India towards stronger and samer citizenship.

"We fear that the strong national feelings exhibited in recent years in India may estrange even the disciples of Christ from the call to serve Him in a land that is full of racial antipathies. We may assure you that, while that is true to a certain extent in the sphere of politics, it is not true in the sphere of religion. At no time has there been a greater friendliness among the people towards Christians and Christian messengers than at the present time. British missionaries of the true type - missionaries who endeavor in the spirit of our Master to come to India with sympathy and discernment and to serve her people with that peculiar self-effacing love and power that issues out of the Cross of Christ, - such are in greater demand now than even before.

"Again we fear that some may be deterred by a consciousness of personal inadequacy for the needs of India, and by a procrastination that makes them wait for some inward guidance and special call before they respond to an appeal for service in India. But surely the crying needs of this great country and its peoples, and especially at a time like this, and the possession of that life and power which issued from Calvary and the Upper Room, coupled with the consciousness of ability with the help of God to meet these needs - constitute a call the Divine source of

which no one can easily doubt.

"We therefore plead with you to consider whether Christian students can now fail to give India what they alone can give and whether they do not owe India this immediate help at the present crisis of her history. We pray that the call to come over and help us may touch the hearts of some of you, resulting in your surrender for missionary service in India."

Donnald Speak

Ever since 1819 the secretaries of the different Foreign Missionary Societies in the city of London have met in monthly meetings each winter to confer and praytogether. Several years ago Dr. John H. Ritson of the British and Foreign Bible Society wrote a short history of this meeting. The following paragraph indicated that the problems which we face today are not fundamentally different from the problems which have been faced from the beginning:

"At this period the whole outlook of missions changed from enthusiastic expectation of world-wide success to a humble hope that a few elect might be saved. A good deal of hostile criticism was levelled against the Societies / In 1825 the Association was enquiring, 'In what light are we to regard the opposition now so generally excited against the diffusion of divine truth, and in what mode whould it be met? and then in 1826 they tried to profit from the opposition - 'What practical lessons may be learned from the recent animadversions on benevolent institutions? Again a little later they discussed, 'what are the caused of that distrust which has been excited respecting the management of religious societies and what is the best mode of removing it? There is a tone of resignation in the title of a paper read in 1849. 'The trials of missions - the reasons of these afflictive dispensations and the beneficial results of them. But they were not allowed to work in peace, for within three years it was said. 'A notion prevails to some extent that the missionary enterprise is a comparative failure. Is there any truth in it, and what are the best methods of dealing with it? The minutes of this meeting record the conviction that 'missions had been successful beyond expectation, and probably far surpassing the hopes of the fathers and founders of them.

The storm broke out again in 1858 after the Indian Mutiny - the friends of missions urging a bolder Christian policy on the Government, and the critics declaring that the Mutiny was caused by proselytism. In the same year the Secretaries were also driven to examine 'Some of the principal objections made against the management of religious Societies such as - the cost of deputation work, publications and periodicals, etc. 'Criticism from without never ceased, but for half a century the Association has not spent much time in discussing Of course it has not always come from without. There have been critical and argumentative and candid friends in the inner circle. In 1825 Edward Irving's famous L.M.S. sermon declared that the current methods were all wrong, and a few years after there was a topic of discussion which sounds peculiarly modern - 'What line of conduct should be adopted by Missionary Societies in order to obviate the dangers, which may be apprehended from the agitation among their friends or agents, or those controversies which have recently been moved in the Christian Church? ""

All this sounds very modern, yet this was nearly one hundred years ago.

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JESSE VANDENBURGH - WHOLESALE GRAIN 518 Cotton-Grain Exchange Building Oklahoma City, Okla.

February 27, 1933

F. E. Sibley, Sec'y of Finance, Presbyterian Church, New York.

Dear Sir:

I am asking the Treasurer of the Second Presbyterian Church of Oklahoma City the privilege of sending the enclosed check for \$10 which we wish to go to the Board of Foreign Missions to the credit of the Second Presbyterian Church in order that I might give you a little history regarding this contribution.

This contribution was given to the church with the instructions that it go for Foreign Missions by Mrs. Maude Sullivan, 1636 N.W. 15th Street, Oklahoma City.

Sixteen years ago when her baby was one year old her husband tied a ten dollar gold piece to the baby's wrist as a birthday present and at the same time pleased the mother very much.

At that time conditions in this home were very satisfactory — a nice home, expensive clothes, positions and activity in social and church affairs.

A few years later the baby died with smallpox. Mrs. Sullivan also contracted the smallpox and came near dying at this same time. Later her husband fell from a capable respected citizen to a habitual drunkard and "dope" addict. He is now a vagabond in one of our southern states regardless as to all his family and friends.

Mrs. Sullivan is a victim of cancer so far advanced that we can hardly hope that she will be with us many days. In another month her sick benefit insurance will stop. She has one daughter at home who is working on a small salary which was reduced the past few weeks. Another younger daughter is placed in an orphans home which has agreed to look after her until she is 18. She will have no resources after another month except what her daughter can give her on a very small salary. In her bed she is doing some needle work in hopes to make a few dollars that way.

As a faithful systematic steward she has arranged all affairs for her long journey except as to the disposition of this \$10 gold piece which she has carried and loved on account of the history connected with it. In all of her need it is too sacred for common things, so she gave it to me with instructions that it be used as indicated above, making it immortal and eternal as it might be used to influence lives and make personalities into the likeness of her Savior. Her life, amid all her affliction, is a testimony of the sustaining power of God. She says that these later days have been her best, since she has come to realize values and all that friends have meant.

Pardon this long letter but as her S.S. Teacher, an Elder in her Church and a neighbor for about 20 years I am constrained to tell you the history of this contribution, with this one request. Will you acknowledge receipt of same direct to Mrs. Maude Sullivan, 1636 N.W. 15th Street, Oklahoma City, with some words of cheer which will mean so much to her in these last days if so it be God's will.

In gratitude for a Gospel that is sufficient in all circumstances and experiences of life, I am
Yours sincerely,
(Signed) Jesse Vandenburgh

Extract from letter from Rev. and Mrs. John C. Smith, Wakayama, Japan, December 8, 1933.

"The life of one of the pioneer Presbyterian missionaries in this district, Dr. Hail, is an inspiration to us. He and his wife died more than five years ago but his name is still known in every home in the ken I believe. He went from house to house telling the story of the gospel. In the early years Christianity was not known by its right name at all but was called "Hail's religion." In the three months we have been here literally dozens of people in unexpected places have expressed admiration for Dr. Hail. He and his wife are buried in a Japanese cemetery about ten minutes walk from our home. Not one English word is engraved on the plain stone marker. In addition to their names in Japanese there is written Philippians 1, 21: "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. # A Japanese minister who worked with Dr. Hail told us that every time he had been to the grave there were fresh cut flowers upon it. We have visited it three times and found flowers each time. No one knows who does it but five years after his death he is so honored that some non-Christians keep his grave fresh with flowers. We are proud and humble to say that we are working in his place."

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Finally, the General Assembly desires distinctly and deliverately to inscribe on our church's banner as she now first unfurls it to the world, in immediate connection with the Headship of her Lord, His last command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature;" regarding this as the great end of her organization, and obedience to it as the indispensable condition of her Lord's promised presence, and as one great comprehensive object a proper conception of whose vast magnitude and grandeur is the only thing which in connection with the love of Christ can ever sufficiently arouse her energies and develope her resources, so as to cause her to carry on with the vigor and efficiency which true fealty to her Lord demands, those other agencies necessary to her internal growth and home prosperity. The claims of this cause ought therefore to be kept constantly before the minds of our people and pressed upon their consciences, and every minister owes it to his people and to a perishing world to give such instruction on this subject as he isable; and to this end the monthly concert ought to be devoutly observed by every church on the first Sabbath of each month for the purpose of missionary instruction as well as prayer, and it would be well to accompany their prayers with their offerings. To the same end the Assembly earnestly enjoins upon all our ministers and ruling elders and deacons and Sabbath school teachers, and especially upon parents, particular attention to our precious youth in training them to feel a deep interest in this work, and not only to form habits of systematic benevolence, but to feel and respond to the claims of Jesus upon them for personal service in the field. And should a Sabbath school paper be established, they recommend that at least one page be exclusively devoted to this subject.

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Extract from letter of Florence Schafer, Miraj, India, January 1, 1935

We had an unusual experience yesterday evening. Balasahib Gaikwad. formerly prime minister of the State of Kolhapur and always friendly to the hospital invited us to dinner at his village near the river. We drove down to the river (Krishna) where he met us and took us across the river in a big boat. The boat could not come to the shore as the water was too shallow, so we were transferred to bullock carts for the rest of the journey to the village. As long as I have been in India I had never before been in a bullock cart. It was not as rough as I expected, but I thot if I were a patient with a broken bone or some tender place and had to bump along for several miles instead of just one or less it might appeal to me differently. Balasahib rode in a cart all by himself and headed the procession. As we neared the village the band came out to meet us and escorted us the rest of the way to the tune "There's no place like home". The boy scouts of the village in green shorts and tan blouses with dark purplish red caps formed a double line to the entrance of the festive place and stood in salute as we approached. And wonder of wonders we were entertained in Imagine us marching in with our shoes on. I did not realize a Hindu temple. we were in a temple till after we had been seated. Then I saw the bell for waking the god and when we sat down to the meal I turned and saw three idols behind me. Imagine it. Times certainly have already changed in India. The boy scouts entertained us before dinner with imitations of Indian musical instruments bird calls, and sword dancing and also the village dancing with cymbals, than which there is nothing more graceful and rhythmic. Our dinner of curry and rice, curried meat, hard boiled eggs, and some Indian dishes (imagine meat and eggs served in a Hindu temple) was served on banana leaves and all was dished out by hand and we ate with our fingers. I always fear amoebic dysentery infection on such occasions but we cannot refuse, it would offend. It is really part of our job. We had to hurry away after dinner to get back to the hospital in time for evening reports so we walked to the river and did not wait for the bullock carts and so made much faster time. But we had to wade to the boat when we reached the river.

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### THE OPEN FORUM

TO THE EDITOR

One of the most powerful lobbies ever set up in Washington has been sponsored by religious and educational organizations in America which have been fighting for the release of Japanese and the abolishment of the evacuation order with a fervor unique in their history.

It is recognized that the leaders of some of these organizations are sincere Americans but have been misled on the Japanese question by incomplete knowledge of Japanese psychology. They are mistaken in assuming that the background of cultural training and mode of thinking of the Japanese people is similar to the cultural background and mental attitude of other racial groups in our midst.

In March 1942 a report was submitted to the U. S. Army intelligence revealing plans promulgated among Japanese agents to spread bacteria germs in the event such a step proved advantageous in undermining the morale of our people. More recently a shocking document on bacteria warfare, distributed among Japanese Army and Navy officials since the war came to light. Following are two paragraphs from the document:

"Bacteria weapons are to harm the enemy civilian people by spreading various kinds of pathogenic bacteria, i.e. cholera, typhus, pest, malaria, yellow fever and small pox.

"Once these fearful diseases are spread over a city dessimination of them becomes wider and wider — sanitary officials in charge of relied work will find themselves utterly helpless."

This method of shattering the resistance of her enemies is not out of harmony with Japan's inhuman treatment of war prisoners. No nation in modern history, with the exception of the equally cruel Nazis, has caused so black a spot to be smeared across the pages of this enlightened era. The sordid eyewitness stories related by such renowned personalities as Marsman, Powell, and Harman are shocking and heartrending.

Instead of releasing Japanese Americans to work without restrictions in Eastern Defense areas, we urge the drafting of all male Japanese except dangerous agents, for farm work in the interior, but only under army supervision, to help feed our armed forces.

Erwin Ney, Commander Williams-Parsons Post, No. 70 American Legion, Salisbury, Connecticut 20 May 44

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I.akeville, Conn. May 28, 1944 To the Editor of the Lakeville Journal:

Mr. Erwin Ney's letter in the May 25th issue of The Lakeville Journal will be interpreted by many readers as an argument against the settlement in Connecticut of any people of Japanese ancestry, no matter whether they were born in Japan and still hold Japanese nationality or were born in this country and are American citizens. I have no idea whether there are now in Litchseld County any Japanese or Japasese-Americans but if we have any such neighbors now or may have them in the future I should like to say a word for the spirit of tolerance and justice which we believe is a part of our American heritage worth fighting for.

No Japanese or Japanese-Americans have been released from internment camps or Relocation Centers without a thorough investigation by our government agencies and only those who are found to be loyal to the United States have been released. Mr. Ney feels that those who sympathize with the release of such law-abiding persons have "been misled . . . by incomplete knowledge of Japanese psychology." I must readily confess that my knowledge of Japanese psychology is incomplete, but perhaps it is not inadequate, for I have visited Japan six times and have lived in North China for more than eighteen years, the last five years under Japanese occupation and the last two as a guarded and interned "enemy alien." I believe therefore that I feel more strongly than many of my fellowcitizens of Lakeville the need for whole-hearted support of our Armed Forces in the strenuous prosecution of the war and the complete de-

feat of the Japanese Army and Navy. To hasten this defeat every one of us must be willing to do his part, but I believe the efforts of those of us who are not fully engaged in war activities could be more usefully directed to combating waste, ex-travagance, black markets, and inflation than to creating suspicion against all Japanese residents of this country. We may be assured that our government agencies have taken and will continue to take the utmost precautions before releasing any Japanese from internment camps and that all who have been approved by such agencies may be safely allowed to reside anywhere except in areas of actual military or naval importance. There is no more reason for suspecting every person of Japanese ancestry of being a spy and a saboteur than of feeling such suspicions for every person of German or Italian ancestry.

Mr. Ney's argument against the release of Japanese-Americans from Relocation Centers is based on the cruelty of some of the Japanese treatment of war prisoners and on plans for bacteria warfare attributed to the Japanese Army and Navy. On page 15 of today's New York Times there are reports from Russia attributing even more shocking inhumanity to Nazi forces in the recently liberated Soviet areas, but we do not therefore assume that no person of German parents or who was born or brought up in Germany can be allowed to live among us or to be given an opportunity to support himself in the United States The struggle against such barbarism as the Nazi and Japanese military forces have exhibited is one in which each one of us must take his part but the first step in this struggle is to make sure that we are safeguarding tolerance and fairness at home.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret Bailey Speer

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ROME, Nov. 10 (A)-The Vatican radio broadcast without comment today a religious creed of Nazi "believers in God," including a declaration of faith in Reichsfuehrer Hitler which the announcer said was published in a German paper.

The German weekly Nordland, organ of the "German believers in God," published a sort of catechism in the form of questions and answers for its "faithful" in its issue of Sept. 15, the announcer said in an English language broadcast.

"There, among other things," the announcer said, "one reads:

"'Why are we National Socialists believers in God?

"'We National Socialists are believers in God because in us, as German men, veneration of the divine and faith in it are impressed

in an indelible manner in our blood and being. "'In what do we National Socialists believe?

"'We National Socialists believe:

"'1. In the divine. "'2. In the unity of the universe.

"'3. In mother earth. "4. In destiny.

"5. In the creative force of our blood.

"'6. In our people and its mission.

"'7. In our Fuehrer.

"'8. In the National Socialist peoples' community. "'9. In ourselves.'"

The broadcast made no mention of President Roosevelt's recent

statement that the Nazis planned to abolish Christianity for their own system of religion in which the Bible would be replaced by Mein Kampf.

Among the statements attributed without comment to the article in

Nordland were:

"The divine manifests itself in the cosmos, in nature inanimate and animate. \* \* \* The divine in the highest form is personified in the (German) people because:

'The individual, in accordance with nature, represents the only means of life and being for

the people.

"2. 'Because the people is a vital unit of men willed by nature or the divine.

"3. 'Because the individual only within his people can develop his

divine faculties and energies, or, rather, only in the people can he live."

Among other statements attrib-

uted to Nordland were:

"'What derives from the fact that the divine in the highest from is personified in the people?

"'It derives from it that service for the Fuehrer, for the people and for the fatherland is divine service.

" 'To believe in our people and in

its mission means:

"1. 'To have unshakeable conviction that our people represent the highest worth of all humanity on earth.

"2. 'To follow the will of nature, according to which the best people

is called upon to command.

"3. "To know that to be led by the best people redounds, from the necessity of things, in benediction on other nations.

"4. 'To work, sacrifice ourselves and fight indefatigably for the ascent and victory of our people."

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In our issue of November 20th, 1941, we gave an account of the Nazi plan for a National Church of the German Reich, in which reference was made to a "profession of faith," which was "nothing less than a new creed, in which Hitler replaces our Lord as the supreme revelation of God."

We are now able to quote the terms of this Profession of Faith:

"We believe in one great eternal National Socialist German State. We believe in the National Socialist conception born in the man Adolf Hitler during the great struggle between German Humanity and all the races of the earth. We believe that, in answer to his prayer, Almighty God restored to this soldier the sight he had lost during the World War. We believe, we see, and we realise, in this man alone, the Saviour and the Ruler sent to our German nation, to our country, and to our people who are bound to us by ties of blood. We believe in his written work, Mein Kampf, which alone is holy, we believe we must obey all the commandments laid down therein with all our knowledge and all our power, and, if we carry them out in all sincerity, we believe that we may thus confess ourselves: O Lord, we stand before Thee without sin. We are bound body and soul to our Führer, to our country, to our people, and we cry together with a loud voice: Adolf Hitler, our Führer, we shall be faithful to thee unto Eternity."

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The Vatican City radio, heard here yesterday by the Columbia Broadcasting System, quoted a pastoral letter issued by Joseph Ernest Cardinal Van Roey of Malines, Belgium, on Feb. 15, in which he criticized any new order that excluded Christ and called on his fellow-Belgians to pray for the "dawn of peace, liberty and prosperity."

"Whoever aims at annihilating Christian influence in society and in public life is confining it to a cultural and sacramental ministry," the Cardinal said. "Christianity preaches the dignity of the individual and his sanctification. \* \* \*

"The supreme God of society demands that the church be able to exercise freely her mission in the world, and no new order can be beneficent that does not recognize the historic order established by God, in which individuals, families and peoples, all humanity, is set up in Christ and for Christ."

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Hitler's world view is based upon three premises, which are deeply rooted in nineteenth-century German thought: struggle as the father of all things and the essence of all history, for "it is an iron principle: the weak fall in order that the strong may live"; the superiority of the German race, for "take away the Nordic Germans and nothing remains but the dance of apes": the decided necessity of great leaders, for democracy "represents a conspiracy of dwarfs against him who towers head and shoulders above the masses." Back of these premises stands an image of man as "the most brutal, the most resolute creature on earth. He knows nothing but the extermination of his enemies in the world. \* \* \* One is either the hammer or the anvil. As long as there are people on this earth there will be nations against nations."

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May 29th

I'd like to state here and now that I'm against my Father's proposal to keep out the Jap and his wife — let them come and reside in Lakeville. Having just returned from the Southwest Pacific I'm all the more anxious that this happy condition exist in my home town — so that, when I walk down the street and see that yellow swine walking towards me I'll be able to get still another sock at him.

. Cordially,

Jun 8.44

Richard Ney

(From Late Edition of Yesterday's TIMES.)

U. S. Japanese Unit Is Cited
WITH THE FIFTH ARMY in
Italy, July 20 (U.P.)—Lieut. Gen.
Mark W. Clark announced today
that the War Department had
awarded a citation to the Hawaiian-American 100th Battalion
for their "outstanding performance
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the vicinity of Belvedere and Sassetta." The battalion, commanded
by Lieut. Col. Gordon Singles, is
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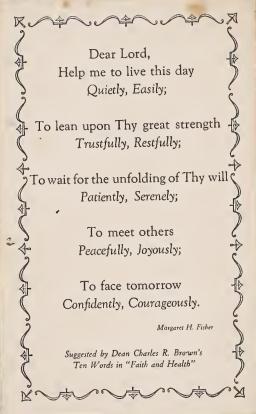
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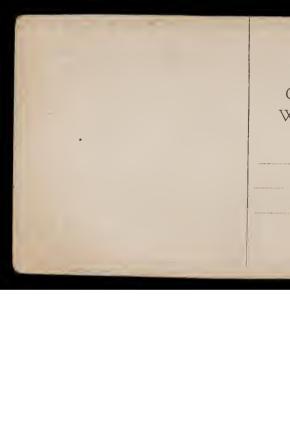
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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW YORK ON THE DEATH OF WALTER LOWRIE. December 14. 1868

"The Presbytery has heard of the decease of the Hon. Walter Lowrie an aged and venerable elder of the First Church of this city and they desire to enter this Minute as a tribute of their high esteem for his public and Christian character. Mr. Lowrie has long been an influential member of this Presbytery upon whose judgment and learning his brethren have always relied.

Mr. Lowrie has long been the wise, zealous and faithfull and disinterested Secretary of our Board of Foreign Missions. By his counsel and efficient aid that Institution rose into existence, and until very lately he was most unremitting in his attention to its high and important interests. Few men have passed through a long life more usefully and more honorably, and few have left a more beautiful character, and example, as a precious beauty to his family and the Church, and while the members of this Presbytery submit with Christian resignation to the will of him who so early chose him out of the world, and made him so long a bright example of Christian conduct for his fellow professing Christians to copy, and while he has left behind him such evidences of his interest in the Lord Jesus Christ, and the sweet assurance that he is now with him in glory, this Presbytery cannot but feel and express their deep sense of the loss which we and the Church has sustained by his removal from among us.

Presbytery also begs to offer to the bereaved family their tender sympathy and condolence and directs the Stated Clerk to transmit to them this minute with the resolution of condolence."

James K. Campbell Stated Clerk

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# "Examine the Evidence"

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#### "EXAMINE THE EVIDENCE"

By the Lord Chief Justice of England, Lord Caldecote

An examination of the evidence for the Bible as a Divine revelation, by a leading legal luminary, who is also well known for his outstanding Christian character. Reported in the London Daily Sketch.



Anyone who sets out, even in response to a request, to confess his faith must be ready, especially if he calls himself a Christian, to meet the criticism that his profession is better that his practice. Nevertheless, I will try to say what I believe and perhaps why I so believe.

I was brought up to take a good deal for granted which later in life inevitably called for consideration. It seemed natural to us, as to most children of our generation, to treat what we were taught by our parents as being beyond question, in matters of religion as well as in other affairs.

The Bible was the foundation of the teaching we received and the Old Testament was, of course, not left out.

In spite of the emphasis placed on the words of the Authorized Version, I think I realized fairly soon in my life, first, that the message which the Bible has tor the world is not different in one language from that which is bears in another; and, secondly, that the Bible as a whole is unique in the religious literature of the world as the most

honest and revealing record of human endeavor and failure ever written. No history or biography ever written was so sincere or complete as the Bible in its portrayal of the characters of its heroes.

When I began to examine for myself what I once thought almost axiomatic, about God and about Jesus Christ, I therefore had this background. The Bible was not a Book which needed to be defended against attacks as containing a number of incredible stories. It was, or rather it seemed and seems to me, supremely secure in its claim to be a Divine revelation.

In the eighteenth century the argument from design, as it was called, had an important place in Christian apologetics. The perfect balance and elaborate scheme of nature seemed quite rightly to point to the existence of a Creator of all things.

It is the argument of the Nineteenth Psalm: "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament sheweth his handiwork" It is a great and persuasive argument. At the same time, I cannot say that this was the way by which I came to a belief in God after I began to think things out for myself.

My faith began with and was rounded on what I thought was revealed in the Bible. When, particularly, I came to the New Testament, the Gospels and the other writings of the men who had been friends of Jesus Christ seemed to me to make an overwhelming case, merely as a matter of strict evidence, for the facts therein stated,

What St. John said in one of his Epistles sums up the case for the authenticity of their narratives: "That which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of Life . . . declare we unto you."

The same approach to the cardinal test of the claims of Jesus Christ, namely, His Resurrection, has led me as often as I have tried to examine the evidence to believe it as a feer heyond dispute.

I hope that does not sound presumptuous, but I can only speak of facts as I find them upon the material before me. Whatever there may be that seems mysterious or contrary to human experience or the "laws of nature" in the account of the Resurrection, the difficulties of rejecting the plain affirmations of the men who made it the linchpin of their preaching are, I think, infinitely greater.

But this is not the time for examining the evidence (this statement is the result of my examination of the evidence) and I must simply say in the words of the Creed: "I believe in Jesus Christ... who rose again from the dead." One powerful argument for belief in the Divine Son of God is to be found in the influence He has had and still has in changing the lives and characters of individual believers.

The shameful betrayals of which Christians and Christian Churches down the centuries have been guilty cannot alter the fact that Jesus Christ makes saints of sinners.

It is certainly true that every man has to find God for himself. That man is to be counted happy who, like the once-blind man, tormented with questions which he could not answer, can say, "One thing I know, that whereas I was blind, now I see."

Being an honest seeker, you will not refuse a straightforward test. Take the Gospel according to John and pray that if there is a God, He will reveal Himself. Simply read through this historic statement and thus examine the evidence for yourself.

Christ's claim is, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me" (John 14:6). Do you believe it?

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### "This is the Book!"

One of the greatest speeches ever made was Daniel Webster's Address delivered at the completion of the Bunker Hill Monument, on June 17, 1843. In it, speaking of the coming of the Pilgrim Fathers to the New World, he said, "They brought with them a full portion of all the riches of the past, in seience, art, morals, religion and literature. The Bible came with them. And it is not to be doubted, that to the free and universal reading of the Bible is to be ascribed in that age, ascribed in every age, that men were much indebted for right views of civil liberty. The Bible is a book of faith, and a book of doctrine: but it is also a book which teaches man his own individual responsibility, his own dignity, and his equality with his fellow man."

Professor Sanborn of Dartmouth College has told us that, on one occasion, when seated in the drawing-room, Mr. Webster laid his hand on a copy of the Scriptures, saying with great emphasis, "This is the Book! I have read through the entire Bible many times. I now make a practice to go through it once a year. It is the book of all others for lawyers as well as divines; and I pity the man that can not find in it a rich supply of thought,

and of rules for his conduct. It fits man for life—it prepares him for death!

"The Gospel is either true history, or it is a consummate fraud; it is either a reality or an imposition. Christ was what He professed to be or He was an imposter. There is no alternative. His spotless life in His earnest enforcement of the truth-His suffering in its defense, forbid us to suppose that He was suffering an illusion of a heated brain. Every act of His pure and holy life shows that He was the author of truth, the advocate of truth, the earnest defender of truth, and the uncompromising sufferer for truth. Now, considering the purity of His doctrines, the simplicity of His life, and the sublimity of His death, is it possible that He would have died for an illusion? In all His preaching the Saviour made no popular appeals. His discourses were always directed to the individual. Christ and His apostles sought to impress upon every man the conviction that he must stand or fall alone—he must live for himself and die for himself, and give up his account to the omniscient God, as though he were the only dependent creature in the universe. The Gospel leaves the individual sinner alone with himself and his God. To his own Master he stands or falls. He has nothing to hope from the aid and sympathy of associates."

Two weeks before death, Mr. Webster dictated this testimony of religious faith, and desired it to be engraved as an epitaph upon his tomb:

"LORD, I BELIEVE; HELP THOU MINE UNBELIEF."

Philosophical argument, especially

that drawn from the vastness of the Universe, in comparison with the apparent insignificance of this globe, has sometimes shaken my reason for the faith which is in me; but my heart has always assured and reassured me that the Gospel of Jesus Christ must be Divine Reality. The Sermon on the Mount can not be a mere human production. This

belief enters into the very depth of my conscience. The whole history of man proves it.

DANIEL WEBSTER

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### "OUR ONLY LEADER"

### WHO IS HE?

#### FIELD MARSHAL SMUTS TELLS US



#### FIELD MARSHAL JAN CHRISTIAAN SMUTS

(With honorary degrees from 21 Universities in Great Britain, U.S.A., Canada and S. Africal) Commander of the Legion of Honour, Grand Commander of the Order of Leopold, Croix de Guerre, Hon. Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge, Eng. S. African Rep. in the Imperial War Cabinet 1917-18, Plenipotentiary for S. Africa at the Peace Conference in Paris 1919, Premier and Commander in Chief of South Africa now.

### "OUR ONE AND ONLY LEADER!"

Many of our very greatest living leaders today are openly and avowedly believers in God. In these days of world-wide war it is good to know that front rank military leaders have profound faith in the Wisdom and Goodness of Almighty God. And no one alive today has a more astounding record of all-round attainment over a long period than that gallant 'Man of Steel', the pride of South Africa, Field Marshal Smuts, who is at heart a sincere and strong believer in Christ. He is a scientist, a lawyer, a soldier, a politician and a genuine thinker, and not in any secondary sense, but really outstanding in all these diverse branches of human achievement. We cannot but respect the well-weighed, long-considered, and simply spoken word of this remarkable Empire leader.

Speaking at the Centennial of the Dutch Reformed Church, at Potschefstroom, in the Transvaal, on the 25th. February, 1942, Field Marshal Smuts said:

"Speaking from longer and wider experience and reflection than perhaps has been the lot of most others, I wish to say: fundamentally the world has no need of a new order or a new plan, but only of the honest and courageous application of the historical Christian idea. Our Christian civilization is based on eternal order, an endless plan in the message of Christ. Many new messages and messengers will appear in these times of great tribulation. Let us hold on to the eternal message. Let us follow the light which once shone before us, the greatest light that has ever arisen on the human horizon and which can surely lead us to that better world for which we are longing. In the twilight of today I see on that horizon—not the man of Moscow, not

the man of Munich, not the man of Rome, but the Man of Galilee. . . This is the message also for the Church of today and for mankind milling round like frightened sheep without a shepherd. The Man of Galilee is, and remains, our one and only Leader. And the Church, as the carrier of this message should follow Him alone."

Interestingly enough this is not the first time that a Field Marshal has pronounced upon leadership. For Field Marshal Lord Wolsley, the great Irish soldier, (rated by some as scarcely inferior to Churchill's ancestral genius Marlborough) who came to Canada, and in 1870 put down the Red River rebellion under Riel without the loss of a single man, also addressed his officers on this subject. And Wolsley said that leadership is conditioned by three things in this order, (a) Understanding of human nature; (b) A good example; and (c) A clear and strong purpose.

If you will look at the New Testament account of Christ with these Field Marshals' words in mind you will realize that Christ is indeed "Our One and Only Leader".

Four times the word "Leader" is applied to Christ. the same Greek word 'Archegos' being translated by a different English word each time. First, Peter calls Him "the Author of Life" (Acts 3:13-15) and tells us that He was put to death for our sins. And Christ's incomparable understanding of human nature can be seen best by the fact that He knew that patching up of the sinful nature of man is not enough, and that He made available therefore, even by the sacrifice of Himself, a totally new divine life for all men. Others can philosophise about better living, but Christ can and does give new life by His unique regenerating power.

And second, we are told that "Him hath God exalted with His right hand to be a *Prince* and a Saviour" (Acts 5:31). So the Fundamental Law of the new life is Obedience. His 'good example' is proved in that He does not merely say 'Gol', but first and most He says 'Come and Follow Me!' He is the Prince Who most deserves and most inspires loyal following.

Third, In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that He for Whom and by Whom the universe exists, should perfect the *Captain* of their salvation by suffering. (Hebrews 2:10). In other words, the Path of the new life under the world's one and only Leader, involves facing under Him, a long, hard, personal warfare and discipline.

But fourth, "Let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking off unto Jesus the Author and Perfecter of our faith (Hebrews 12:1-2). The Secret of the new life under Christ's control is to focus on Him, so that you too may have VICTORY now and always over all temptation. Christ's clear and strong purpose is to perfect you in every respect.

Leadership is absolutely necessary, and He is the Adequate Leader. Leadership is superlatively costly, and He made the supreme sacrifice for the world's salvation. By every highest standard Christ alone qualifies as the World's Commander-in-Chief. As Field Marshal Smuts says, "The Man of Galilee is, and remains, our one and only Leader".

But have you come to Him? Are you following Him?

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By CHARLES POORE

N Mr. Thurber's "The Male Animal" there is a politics are, defines himself decisively as an Unconfused Liberal.

That might be the name for Lancelot Hogben. When his friends told him (it seems quaint, now) he must choose between fascism and communism. he'd take neither. But no one can choose a label for him. He calls himself a Scientific Humanist. To find out what that is, you'll have to read the lively papers in his peppery new book, called

"Dangerous Thoughts."\*

Mr. Hogben's "Mathematics for the Million" and "Science for the Citizen" were, as you remember, huge successes. They became old tenants on the best-seller lists. They transcend the category Oliver St. John Gogarty defined as "popular books of science or rather books on popular books of science or rather books on popular science." They were lucid. They were trenchant. They were singularly free of humbug and old wives' tales. "Dangerous Thoughts" carries on the Hogbenian tradition.

#### Concerning the Uncopyrighted Verities

Of course, it is of little moment, generally, whether you agree with Lancelot Hogben or not. In either case, he holds your attention long after more soothing repeaters of the uncopyrighted verities would have put you soundly to sleep.

"Dangerous Thoughts" ranges through papers on science and race and prejudice and education for the Age of Plenty (plenty of bombers over Abyssinia, China, Spain, Poland, Finland) and Havelock Ellis. It ends with an epilogue.

In his epilogue Mr. Hogben says:

"That these essays are redolent with hope does not signify that the writer claims special knowledge of what possibilities, for good or evil, the future may hold. To sneer at hope is the cloak of snobbery with which outworn scholarship conceals its own mediocrity. If the intellectual liberty of the last three centuries disappears in the havoc of imperialist wars and post-revolutionary disillusionment, its destruction will be a just penalty for the cynicism with which so-called intellectuals cherish the prerogative of pessimism as the hallmark of a privileged caste."

#### Ideas in a Time of Danger

If Mr. Hogben has read Eduard Benes's "Democracy Today and Tomorrow" or Irwin Edman's "Candle in the Dark," he knows by now that the belief that civilization is about to disappear forever is not as widely entertained as he

\*DANGEROUS THOUGHTS. By Lancelot Hogben. 283 pages. Norton. \$2.75.

may have supposed. To sneer at hope may not always be so much a mark of snobbery as of plain ignorance.

Like Frank Lloyd Wright, Mr. Hogben is against the jamming of people into cities. (One may note here that it is one of the more brutal ironies of our time that fear of bombs has driven people out of Europe's cities after sensible peacetime arguments had failed to budge them.)

#### Lancelot Hogben's Dangerous Thoughts

The beehive pattern, he observes, is no longer necessary. People don't have to be jammed together. "Cooperative organization in the age of hydroelectric power, of light metals, of artificial fertilizers, and of applied genetics offer us new instruments of manufacture, new means of transport, and new means of communications, both to restore the serenity of small community life and to promote a lively sympathy with folk of other lands."

And only last Monday, General Johnson, while failing to remember the name of Lincoln Steffens, saw a small Diesel-powered electric plant that might hurry along decentralization in the Fruture.

About his scientific humanism, Mr. Hogben has this to say: Its "New Social Contract" is "the recognition that the sufficient basis for rational cooperation between citizens is scientific investigation of the common needs of mankind, a scientific inventory of resources available for satisfying them, and a realistic survey of how modern social institutions contribute to or militate against the use of such resources for the satisfaction of basic human needs."

#### In a Majority of One

Very well. But who's to choose those experts -and what's to happen if they develop some strange ideas of the basic human needs? What are "basic human needs" in an economy of plenty?

Incidentally, if all the people Mr. Hogben doesn't like were removed-despots, economists, educators, propagators of racial myths and "oldschool-tie Socialists fresh from the exploits of the Oxford Union" and many, many others-the number left to share the better life would be vastly reduced.

Well, as we've said, the matter of whether you agree with Mr. Hogben or not is frequently irrelevant. He's out to stimulate independent thought rather than to found a sect. He follows an old custom in making a fetish of unorthodoxy.

We've seldom read a man who could sound so much like a majority of one.

### HALIFAX SAYS WAR TESTS CHRISTIANITY

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The text of Lord Hairax's address was as follows:

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"While sensible people see that the chiefs of the fighting services must decide on what is possible, and where and when, everybody is impatient to get to grips. Everybody feels better for such actions as the great raid on Dieppe. Everybody is stirred by the news of hig bombing attacks on Germany. Everybody bears with entbusiasm of daring exploits in the Channel and the Mediterranean. "With this feeling went another: that neither a persistent and relentless offensive, necessary though it is, nor the solution of problems of supply, vital as they cited the supplementation of the property of the supplementary."

problems of supply. You as an, will by themselves win the victory.

"Of course, we must have the tools and know bow to use them; but we must also find in ourselves the spirit to use them properly. For behind the formidable famatics of Nazi material lies the still more formidable fact of Nazi faraticism. "There you have a generation of young men and women trained for war. For eight years they have been living in a mental concentration camp. The property of the property of the property of the property of the property was their teachers wished. Their minds have been sealed. They are ready at the bidding of a single man to give themselves. wished. Their minds have been sealed. They are ready at the bidding of a single man to give themselves for a cause. We know that cause to be most evil, but they have been trained to believe that it has the highest claim on their devotion. So when we have outgunned, out-tanked and out-planed the Nazis, we must see to it always that the flame of our faith burns as firerely as theirs.

St. Paul's Survival Symbolic

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bolic in that. The confused mass of buildings has gons, the rubbish has gone, but what really matters remains "I don't know if that is how the

"I don't know if that is how the sight of St. Paul's strikes your boys, but that is bow the war is striking millions of us in Britain today. A great deal that we thought we valued has gone, but we have found something th that matters the most. It matters to us. But it mat ters also to those of you who sons and husbands and fathers a now gathering in Britain for t great assault on this thing that called nazism. For them I can gi whose

great assault on this thing that is called nazism. For them I can give you this assurance: they bave gone to a country which is still essentially a Christian land.

"And I think they will find a new understant they will find a new understant they will find a new understant they will be were it about. That understanding I believe you that they we know that we are fighther they will be the same of the week who we have the wear simply as one of self-preservation. Although we are determined to rid Europs of Hitler and all his works, we certainly are not so foolish as to suppose that the world after the war will be the same world as it was before it. Although we see the war as one of liberation for the enalaved peoples, we also see it as a struggle to keep open the road from a Christian past to a more Christian future.

Christianity "Real Issue"

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"We know that, stripped of the accidents which have brought this or that nation into war, the real issue for us is whether Christianity, and all that it means, is to survive "It may be that some would think that an overstatement. We have not always considered what Christianity implies, or remem-bered that nearly everything of value in our lives has a Christian executive."

value in our lives has a Christian ancestry.

"Tha right of each man to worship according to his conscience is the Christian expression of man's relationship to God. The law, which protects us from injustice, was in its beginning the Christian Interpretation of human rights. The political claims, which secure our freedom, were developed within a Christian framework. The good neighbor of these days is the good Samaritan of the parable. The hospital, to which we go when we are sick, was in origin a work of Christian mercy. The school, to which we send our children, was the fulfillment of the Christian duty of education.

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"The family, in which we find our private happiness, is the very heart of any sound society. And every one of these things is rooted in the Christian thought of the value of the individual human soul, which the Nazi system flatly denies. On aii this we have lived, enjoying what has come down to us from a Christian past.

"We haven't always given these things much thought; and we haven't always tried to add much to them. We have hen living on our capital. We have only realized its value now that we are in danger of losing it, and have a clear picture of what life on the Nazi model would be like. Yet, however careless we may have been, we have never turned our backs upon our Christian inheritunes, nor shall we do so now. "Better Answer" Than Nazis

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"To all of this, of course, the Nazis will say that we are simply fighting for a dead past. They will say that Christianity offers no answer to the pressing problems of life today. They will say that it has no acluiton for unemployment, for poverty in the midst of plenty, do not not be the sense of insecurity which a for so ur command of nature. Troy will say that the sense of insecurity which a for a command of nature. Troy will say that the sense of insecurity which a for a command of nature. Troy will say that the say the say the problems can only be night problems. "But, with problems can of the common mon."

"But, with peoples of every race and religion who share our Christian standard of values, we know that there is a better answer.

"We believe that if we have failed in the past the fault was not in Christianity but no curselves. By the Christian way we can, and we shall, conquer powerty, insecurity and unemployment. And unless we are ready to apply oursies to this task, we have no "falt to.the Christian title. In so doing we shall save our souls, where nazism would destroy them. For man does not live by bread alone.

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turn our backs upon ail tho to turn our backs upon all those things of the spirit that are our birthright, we need never bave gone to war. We might have ac-cepted the Nazi philosophy, and filled our bellies with the crumbs that fell from the Nazi table. And e price would have been slavery. e chose otherwiss.

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"When a man has made money, he has made very little, and that little he may soon lose. When he has heath, he has much—so long as he can keep it. But heart, courage, a purpose beyond himself, are everything; and when a man has these, he has found the only real happiness snd security.

"Through all the sorrows of this war we are groping our way to a new understanding our way to a new understanding our way to giving us a new confidence of them is giving us a new confidence of them is giving us a new confidence at least the court of the solid prine is a new confidence at the safety of the solid prine is a solid prine to our time. It heast hings, as much ling else. And those who believe them must go all out and fight for the court of the safety of the saf

m. The Puritan soldiers in the En "The Puritan soldiers in the Eng-lish Civil War were said to win their battles because they knew what they were fighting for and loved what they knew. That is the old secret of the superhuman strength of the great saint or the great soldier, that he knew what he fought for, and loved it better than ease or happlness or life. For lova is the strongest force in the world, and the highest love is that which bids a man give everything for something outside and beyond himself.

which bids a man give everything for something outside and beyond himself.

"During these last three years the British people have learned much in a hard of British race must thank God for the courage of his people, what we have learned together has brought us a new humility, which we needed. We acknowledge that in the past we have tolerated much of which we are now ashamed. We are resolved never again to lose that new sense of values which we have tolerated much of which we are now ashamed. We are resolved never again to lose that new sense of values which we have won through the war. We shall uphold these at whatever cost, so that we may build a future in which they shall raise and rule the lives of men. "Weil, I have tried to tell you some of the impressions England left on me. I have tried to show you what St. Paul's means to us, standing clear above the city—a reminder that what we are fighting to preserve, freed of all that once marred our view, is the Christian way of life; an inspiration to fight better; an assurance that after victory, by following the Christian way more faithfully, we shall come to the kind of future we long to see."

London Times Cites Allied Faith

LONDON, Monday, Sept. 21 (Reuter)—The Times of London, commenting today on Lord Haifax's speech yesterday, said there was little doubt that "there is, on the Allied side, a faith that burna with as deep a flame as Nazi fansticism."

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The comment was made in a leading editorial headed "Faith of Freedom."

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#### "THE LESSON OF THE DAY"

"It is a gloomy moment in history. Not for many years - not in the lifetime of most men who read this paper has there been so much grave and deep apprehension; never has the future seemed so incalculable as at this time. In our own country there is universal commercial prostration and panic, and thousands of our poorest fellow-citizens are turned out against the approaching winter without employment and without the prospect of it.

In France the political caldron seethes and bubbles with uncertainty; Russia hangs as usual, like a cloud, dark and silent upon the horizon of Europe; while all the energies, resources and influences of the British Empire are sorely tried, and are yet to be tried more sorely, in coping with the vast and deadly Indian insurrection, and with its disturbed relations in China.

It is a solemn moment, and no man can feel an indifference (which, happily, no man pertends to feel) in the issue of events.

Of our own troubles no man can see the end. They are, fortunately, as yet mainly commercial; and if we are only to lose money, and by painful poverty to be taught wisdom - the wisdom of honor, of faith, of sympathy and of charity - no man need seriously to despair. And yet the very haste to be rich, which is the occasion of this wide-spread calamity, has also tended to destroy the moral forces with which we are to resist and subdue the calamity.

Good Friends - Let our conduct prove that the call comes to men who have large hearts, however narrowed their homes may be; who have open hands, however empty their purses. In times of peril we have nothing but manhood, strong in its faith in God, to rely upon; and whoever shows himself truly a God-fearing man now, by helping wherever and however he can, will be as blessed and beloved as a great light in darkness."

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#### POINTS ON PREACHING

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#### W. R. Maltby

#### In the "British Weekly" 1942

- Preaching without emotion is not preaching, but beware of the eheap substitute. Synthetic unction may impress simple souls, but it corrupts the preacher.
- 2. Remember Penial and wrestle with the great themes, even if they throw you. Jacob was not Israel until he shrank a sinew.
- 3. By loyal to your texts. Be aware of context; if you leave it, be courteous and ask permission. Possibly the writer had bigger thoughts than your own.
- 4. There is always water if you bore deep enough.
- 5. Motorists and preachers should remember that the aim is not to cover the ground, but to see the country and seeing, love.
- 6. Illustrate; but don't illustrate the obvious. One good illustration is worth ten bad.
- 7. The well is deep, and you must have something to draw with. But there is no need to make people drink out of the bucket, still less to chew on the rope.
- 8. In preaching -- no demand without the gift; no diagnosis without the cure. One word about sin; ten for the Saviour.
- 9. Irrelevance is sometimes an infirmity; usually it is a sin.
- 10. Emotion arises out of the truth; Emotionalism is poured on to it.
- 11. Listen before you speak. See before you say.
- 12. Aim at being independent of the Concordance, but do not disdain it until you are.
- 13. Love simple speech as much as you hate shallow thinking.
- 14. Polysyllables are not the sign of profundity. Often they are the cloak of poverty, bought at a jumble sale.
- 15. Never talk down to your audience; they are not there.
- 16. Beware of the abstract noun. The abstract puffeth up, the concrete buildeth up.

- 17. By your consonants people will know what you say; by your vowels where you come from.
- 18. Be audible, but don't shout. Clearness carries farther than clamor.
- 19. Be sparing of gestures, but do not be a post or a robot. If your hands can talk, let them; if not, give them a rest.
- 20. Be not like the brook; pause sometimes.
- 21. One cannot always finish, but one can always stop. If the flow ceases, do not dribble.
- 22. A preacher's damnation. "He spoke of great things and made them small; of holy things and made them common; of God and made Him of no account."

# A Statement of Loyalty Issued by Members of the Society of Friends

From "The New York Tribune," March 26, 1918

There are certain fundamental principles of right and humanity which every man must feel called upon to defend, even to the extent of forcible resistance, if long-continued, intolerable conditions, caused by morally defunct people, are to be ended before the world is enslaved. For more than two centuries the Society of Friends has stood steadfastly and consistently for peace to the limit of toleration. It is in matters of individual conduct, however, rather than in National Wrongs, that those principles have proved effective. Many distinguished Friends in the past have realized that, in cases of great collective oppression, mere submission only renders the objects of the oppressor more easily attained.

It is well for us to profit by the experience and judgment of those of proved attainments and acknowledged usefulness in the community, rather than by the views of those who have not those qualities. Thus we may well consider the experience and judgment of William Penn, James Logan, John Dickenson, Nathaniel Greene, Israel Whelen, Thomas Mifflin, Jacob Brown, John Bright, John G. Whittier, and a number of Friends living to-day, of similar distinction and experience in the facts of life.

Our foundation principle, and the excuse for our separate corporate existence, is a belief in the Divine Immanence or a direct communion with God. The object of our Society, therefore, is to awaken every one to a consciousness of "that of God" within him which will "speak to his condition." Any particular testimony as to outward affairs must then be the statement merely of a particular person or group within the Society, unless approved by it.

We believe that the Society of Friends is as earnestly opposed as any one to the enthrallment of the world by a military caste; to the human slavery and slaughter imposed upon Belgium, Poland, Armenia, and other countries; to the wholesale destruction of immocent non-combatant women and children; to unparalleld atrocties and to the spread of unorganized barbarism. We think that a decent respect for the opinions of mankind makes it incumbent upon the Society of Friends to make such a statement.

The principal thing which George Fox did was to break away bravely from the bondages of traditional dogma, and point from the slavery of the formal Church Discipline to the Authority Within. Elias Hicks followed this principle in proclaiming that no book or dogma should be adhered to, unless it met the Witness for Truth in the individual heart.

We do not agree with those who would utter sentimental platitudes while a mad dog is running amuck, biting women and children; with those who would stand idly by, quoting some isolated passage of scripture, while an insane man murdered him, ravished his wife, bayoneted his babies or crucified his friends; nor with any person who would discuss with some well and contented stranger the merits of various fire extinguishers, while his wife and children are calling to him from the flames of his burning house.

We believe that wrong is relative and has degrees, that there are greater things than human life, and worse things than war. There is a difference between peace as an end, and peace as a means to an end. We do not want peace with dishonor, or a temporary peace with evil. We will not equivocate with honor, or compromise

with wickedness. We must not only seek to save ourselves from war, but posterity as well, and we must not mistake pictures or names of things, for the things themselves. It takes two to make peace, but only one to make war.

Believing that it is not enough at this time to be neutral and that the views of the Society of Friends have not been adequately represented by the official statements of its executives, nor by the utterances of many of its public speakers, we feel that we should follow the course of our brothers in England who both now, and in the past, have realized that there are unusual and extraordinary circumstances of infrequent occurence, which cannot be rigidly or fully met by any man-made church discipline. We, therefore, deem it consistent with our Quaker faith to act according to the dictates of our own consciences, and proclaim a unity with the teachings of Jesus Christ and the messages of the President of our country.

As to the former, we believe the Master to have been a religious teacher in normal times, whose words were addressed to individuals living in those times. We cannot think that He would have remained neutral against organized savagery. In the political affairs of a nation we are to "render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's". Jesus made known this attitude by the questions His hearers asked Him. We cannot think, if the long history of Germany's intrigue and barbarism were related to Him, and the question asked- "Is it lawful for us to rise and resist the aggression of this mighty power by force of arms, or to covet bondage for ourselves and our children?" - that He would have answered- "Let the giant have his way, resist him not." Rather we believe He would have said; "They that take the sword shall perish with the sword and in such a cause whosever shall save his life shall lose it, but whosever shall lose his life, the same shall save it". We remember His words in the 23rd chapter of Matthew, and His armed, forsible driving of the money-changers from the temple, with the destruction of their property; His statement that He came "not to send peace but a sword:" His prophecy that wars "must needs be;" and many other sayings, that were not the language of slavish submission to aggression and evil, but of manly resistance. His teaching that we love our enemies can, we think, be made to mean complete non-resistance to national aggression and evil only by tearing them out from the rest of the New Testament, and their setting in Oriental thought and life, as well as by ignoring the conduct of the Master himself.

It is, perhaps, reasonable to believe that God works through human instruments, and that He wishes us to be "His hands" for reward and punishment. This course has, we believe, been patiently and forcibly stated to us by the President of the United States, who has shown us that the "right is more precious than peace." We proclaim our loyalty to the cause of civilization, and to the President of the United States, and our willingness to help in all ways that may be opened to us by the Inward Light, which is the foundation of our faith.

This statement is signed by representative Friends of Philadelphia, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland. New York Friends have already issued a similar declaration. The signatures to the above were headed by the following nationally known Quakers: Isaac H. Clothier, Joseph Wharton Lippincott, Joseph W. Swan, W. Penn Hoopes, Robert M. Jamey and William P. Haines.

Believing that the foregoing is an accurate presentation of the views most conscientiously held at this time - now that our beloved country is, once more, fighting for noble principles and, indeed, its very existence - this statement has been reproduced and placed in circulation by certain Friends who feel that these courageous, noble and truly Christian words should be widely read, and earnestly and prayerfully pondered.

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LAYMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONS INQUIRY

# ACTION

OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.

November 21, 1932

THE Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. has awaited with interest and hope the Report of the Appraisal Commission of the Laymen's Foreign Missions Inquiry and is now giving it careful consideration. The Board recognizes with appreciation the earnestness and sincerity and devotion of the members of the Commission and of the Inquiry. The Inquiry, it should be stated, has been a voluntary and unofficial movement on the part of a few laymen in some of our denominations, to which the Boards have made no financial contribution and for which they have not had responsibility. Their only relationship had been to request their missionaries to welcome the Commissions and to facilitate their work.

#### POSITION OF BOARD

As this Report is studied by the Board and its Missions and the Church at home and the general public, the Board feels that in justice to the Church which it represents, as well as to the Commission and the Laymen's Foreign Missions Inquiry, it should make clear its position in the following regards:

The Board affirms its abiding loyalty to the evangelical basis of the missionary enterprise. The work of the Board is built on the motive described in the foreword of the Commission's Report in the words, "To some of our members the enduring motive of Christian missions can only be adequately expressed as loyalty to Jesus Christ regarded as the perfect revelation of God and the only way by which men can reach a satisfying experience of Him." The Board adheres to the aim and ideal of missionary work and to the conception of the Gospel embodied in the New Testament and in the historic witness of the Church and will continue its work on this basis, regarding Jesus Christ as the only Lord and Saviour and seeking to make Him known as the Divine Redeemer of individuals and of society. The Board has long expressed and still expresses this aim in its Manual as follows:

"The supreme and controlling aim of Foreign Missions is to make the Lord Jesus Christ known to all men as their Divine Saviour and to persuade them to become His disciples; to gather these disciples into Christian Churches which shall be self-propagating, self-supporting, self-governing; to cooperate, so long as necessary, with these churches in the evangelizing of their countrymen, and in bringing to bear on all human life the spirit and principles of Christ."

# 2. Missionary Enterprise Justifies Support

While eager for improvement and increased efficiency the Board believes that meanwhile the foreign missionary enterprise in its present form and on its present basis is fully justified in appealing for continued and enlarged support.

## 3. Board Has Confidence in Its Missionaries

The Board holds the body of its foreign missionaries in high regard and deep affection. It has confidence in their character, devotion and ability as worthy representatives of the home Church. Both the members of the Board and its missionaries wish that they all attained a higher standard and were more worthy of the Master they serve, but they are seeking to the best of their powers to do what were otherwise left undone.

### 4. Evangelistic Purpose Paramount

The Board regards the evangelistic purpose of Missions, when truly conceived, to be paramount. As the Lakeville Conference of the Board and representatives of all its Missions with representatives of the national churches, in June, 1931, declared:

"We believe that the Gospel is to be proclaimed and Jesus Christ to be made known, not by word or deed but by word and deed; that preaching Christ and living Christ are not to be dissociated; that truth and life go together and that this union is to be effected not by having some missionaries who only preach and other missionaries who only heal or teach but by having all missionaries communicate the Gospel by both deed and word."

The Board adheres unqualifiedly to this purpose in the prosecution of its commission.

# 5. Church Essential to Missionary Program

The Board regards the place of the Church with its message, its sacraments and its fellowship as essential and central in the missionary program. In the fulfilment of this policy the Board reaffirms the Lakeville Conference declaration as follows:

"We believe that fresh emphasis should be given to the significance of the essential importance of the Church as truly indigenous and autonomous and self-dependent, and expressing in life and work the full truth and experience of the Gospel. We believe that the Church is to be conceived not merely as an end in itself but also as a means to the end of world evangelization and of showing forth the glory of Christ and doing the will of God in the world. We believe that the older Churches, cooperating in the way that they may be most effective in each land with the Younger Churches, must keep in mind both the ideal of the National Church and the duty of world evangelism."

The Board knows the mind of the Church to which it is responsible and will continue to represent that mind in faithful and honorable trusteeship, in loyalty to the evangelical convictions of the Church and to its desire for the fullest possible measure of cooperation and unity among all who are seeking to serve our Lord Jesus Christ.

On this basis the Board is prepared to make any changes in methods and policies and administration which will advance the cause of Christ throughout the world, and which will bring to all men those saving gifts of truth and life which can come through Him alone.

# SUGGESTIONS SPECIFICALLY APPROVED

The Board cordially recognizes many recommendations in the Report of the Appraisal Commission of the Laymen's Foreign Missions Inquiry which, taken apart from its theological basis, it believes to be sound, which represent policies and judgments which the Board believes to be right, and which it has sought and will continue to seek to carry out in the work under its care. Among these may be mentioned:

¶ 1. the recognition in the Report of the large contribution of foreign missions to goodwill and human service and human unity;

- Q2. its emphasis upon the need of the ablest and most devoted men and women as missionaries, of the intelligent understanding of the conditions of thought and life in each land and of the spirit of genuine friendship and community interests;
- 4.3. its discernment of the special importance and beneficent influence of the work done by missionary women;
- ¶4. its insistence on the principle of self-support and genuine independence in the indigenous churches;
- ¶5. its appeal for a higher type of representatives of American trade who will sympathize and cooperate with the missionary movement;
- ¶6. its call for the largest possible measure of cooperation and unity among all the Christian forces engaged in the work of foreign missions;
- ¶7. its insistence on the desirability of reality in the transfer of authority to the indigenous agencies in plans of devolution;
- ¶8. its emphasis on the vast preponderance of rural populations and the need of effort directed toward them;
- Q9. its call for better religious teaching in all schools;
- ¶10. its discernment of the duty of Christian missions toward the great masses of men dissatisfied with their old religions;
- ¶11. its insistence on the best quality of service that is possible in every form of work which is done in the Christian name;
- ¶ 12. its constant emphasis on the need of the application of Christianity to human life and relationships, etc., etc.

The Board will refer the Report in these and other respects to its Missions and to its appropriate committees for further consideration of its recommendations.

# CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM WELCOMED

The Board is far from regarding the actual work of foreign missions as above or beyond criticism. Both the Board and its Missions are aware that their work, not less than all other human work, is far from what it ought to be, and as they are unceasingly criticizing themselves, so they welcome all just and true criticism from others. The Board is grateful for every suggestion which will enable it to fulfill its responsibility more efficiently and which will make the work of foreign missions more truly fruitful. It is ready to do anything within its power alone or in cooperation with other Boards, which will further these ends.

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE PRESEYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A. 156 Fifth Avenue, New York It is noticeable that Modernism is beginning to turn, often savagely, on opinions which have been cherished for a
generation. The National Council of
Christians and Jews was an offshoot
from the Federal Council. Its operations have been backed by theological
liberals from the start, and it has a
budget of \$300,000 yearly. Now Dr.
Morrison of the Christian Century exposes its whole point of view.

"Protestantism," he says, "is being victimized by a false tolerance. There has infiltrated into a considerable section of the Protestant community a conception of Christianity which reduces it to religion in general. Its essence is found not in its own particularities but in the common elements which it shares

with other faiths. The ideology of tolerance, which has developed in the atmosphere of this interfaith fellowship, should be carefully scrutinized. 'Religion is religion,' they say, and it makes little difference what your religion, as long as you live up to it. The Protestant leaders of this movement carry this sentimentalism back to their churches as a mark of progress. The effect upon Protestantism is to emasculate its positive faith and undermine its sense of mission. It is a form of appeasement of non-Protestant faiths.

"The idea that these three religious faiths are fundamentally alike is simply not true. It is high time that this movement should direct its friendly forums toward a consideration of the vital differences which separate the three faiths. If Catholics will not participate, then let Jews and Protestants, who have far more

in common than either has with Catholicism, project such a forum for themselves.

"Protestantism needs to be awakened to the fact that it has been subjected to an organized barrage of false tolerance which has enervated its sense of mission and caused its own faith to be watered down into humanitarianism and sentimentalism."

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First Presbyterian Church Sparta, Ills

October 19, 1942

Rev. George Irving 827 Witherspoon Building Philadelphia, Pemma.

Dear Friend Irving:-

It's been two weeks since our seminar at Montebello, and I've had time to cool off a bit and think things through a little more, but I'm still conscious of a keen sense of disappointment. Frankly, were you satisfied with either the spirit or achievements of that seminar? I take it for granted that some of these meetings are far more effective than others, and that there must be some that fall flat to say the least. Of course I would hardly expect you to feel satisfied no matter how well the conference seemed to meet the need of those assembled, for surely that would be the beginning of the end.

What really disturbed me about Montebello was the lack of sounding the depths. There seemed to me a distinct spirit of shallowness in the whole thing. It struck me that we were dodging the real questions. We were beating the air, getting no where. I enjoyed the fellowship, of course, and it did me good to look into the face of Dr. Speer again, and to catch something of the greatness of his spirit, but still I kept feeling and thinking all the time, why are we ministers here, what is lacking in this conference? There was little sense of tragedy at our failure, or confession of our sins, ot earnest searching of our hearts and minds. We were pretty complacent group. We sat back with considerable satisfaction, and the note of confession and repentance was little heard in our discussion. Things were moving along smoothly, the church was advancing, folks were taking hold of the things of Christ and the Kingdom was just around the corner.

I', still wondering whether I'll take time out for another such seminar if it should come around next year. Maybe I will for the sake of the fellowship, and the opportunity of meeting old friends for a few hours, and getting away from some of the monotony of the daily grind. But I simply would love to feel that we were really coming to these seminars with some burning questions in our hearts and some urgent necessities in our souls. I'd love to see something more definite and clear cut in the matter of preparation on the part of those who come. Some definite preparation and study. Some more general presentation of problems faced by the church in the age in which we are living.

I don't know whether you are getting many letters like this, of if there are any ministers who are protesting in like fashion. If not, just put this letter in the wastebasket and count it as one of the ravings of a man who really doesn't know what he is talking about, and maybe is laboring under some kind of an inferiority complex of one kind of another. Any way don't think there is anything personal in this matter, as I sincerely believe you are doing a fine piece of work, and one that's really needed. I'm only hoping and praying the Holy Spirit will lead us all deeper into the things of Christ.

Sincerely yours

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The following incidents are related by the Leverend James W.
Runciman, B.D., of the Church of Scotland at Udaipur, India.
The quotation is from - "Life and Work," The Record
of the Church of Scotland for November 1930.

of all castes, with a few Brahmans at clean distance on the outskirts. The missionary, sensing a question in the hearts of the people, asks if there is anything he can explain. Immediately the Brahmans push through the crowd.

"Yes, sahip," they say, "there is a question. Here in this Native State there are four Englishmen; three of them hold their appointments from the Imperial Government, or from the Raja, and are secure. We Hindus and Mohammedans can own land and property here. You alone of all the people in this State have no citizen rights; and yet, when we see you walking in our bazaar, we say, 'There goes the only free man in this State.' Padri Sahib, tell us! What is it you have that we have not? for it is that we want.

"Again a Native State. A beautiful garden below the shadow of the palace. The <u>elite</u> of the State gathered to hear one of India's leading nationalists, a Cambridge and Moscow graduate. The occasion of his visit was really that something might be done to stop a movement towards Christianity that had begun among the hill people of the State. The missionary, nevertheless, was invited to attend.

"On his arrival on the scene, one of those topsy-turvy things happened that draw one's heart to the Indian - the missionary was asked to preside over the meeting. A laughing protest only evoked the assurance from the speaker, 'Nothing would give me greater pleasure than to have a Scottish missionary as my chairman.'

"So it was arranged, and for two hours we listened enthralled to the passionate outpourings of a man's soul. Inbiting words, out of a sore heart, the speaker exposed and stirred every sore in the life of the land. None was spared - Brahman or outcaste, king or subject, Hindu or Christian, Briton or Indian. From one point of view it was abuse, virulent; from the other it was a cry.

"At the close, he quietly thanked his audience in these words:
"I have to thank you all for allowing me to speak as I have done for
two hours, abusing all that you hold most dear. But you must have
noted that there was one whom I did not even criticise. And, indeed,
he is above all my criticism, or any man's - the Lovely Lord Christ."

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# Christian Message

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Statement Adopted by
The International Missionary Council
Jerusalem, March 24—April 8, 1928

STUDENT VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT
419 Fourth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

#### FOREWORD

This is a special reprint of the Christian message as formulated by the International Missionary Council which met in Jerusalem during Eastertide, 1928. Two hundred and forty delegates representing fifty nations "came by roads that lead up from the ends of the earth to the Holy City to face frankly and together the final challenging issue in the world today—the question of the adequacy of the Christian Message to transform and save man in face of his sin-tormented life everywhere, and especially in face of the world-conquering tides of material civilization and the resultant maelstrom of industrial and rural revolution and internacial conflict."

This statement of the Christian Message together with other significant deliverances made at Jerusalem demonstrate the vitality of Christian missions. New programs and policies outlined there involve all the agencies of the Christian Church. Among these agencies in the West is the Student Volunteer Movement which must continue to help interpret Christian missions to each succeeding college generation, to enlist students in preparation for service ahroad, and to relate well-qualified candidates to the various sending societies.

It is in the spirit and on the basis of this Jerusalem statement of the Christian Message that the Student Volunteer Movement undertakes to do its work.

THROUGHOUT the world there is sense of insecurity and instabili Ancient religions are undergoing modifi tion, and in some regions dissolution, scientific and commercial development al the current of men's thought. Institution regarded with age-long veneration are o carded or called in question; well-est lished standards of moral conduct : brought under criticism; and country called Christian feel the stress as truly the peoples of Asia and Africa. On all significant doubt is expressed whether there is a absolute truth or goodness. A new relativi struggles to enthrone itself in hum thought.

Along with this is found the existence world-wide suffering and pain, which presses itself partly in a despair of all high values, partly in a tragically earnest quof a new basis for life and thought, in birthpangs of rising nationalism, in ever-keener consciousness of race and cloppression.

Amid widespread indifference and is mersion in material concerns we also fi everywhere, now in noble forms and now license or extravagance, a great yearnic especially among the youth of the wor for the full and untrammeled expression of personality, for spiritual leadership and authority, for reality in religion, for social justice, for human brotherhood, for international peace.

In this world, bewildered and groping for its way, Jesus Christ has drawn to Himself the attention and admiration of mankind as never before. He stands before men as plainly greater than Western civilization, greater than the Christianity that the world has come to know. Many who have not hitherto been won to His Church yet find in Him their hero and their ideal. Within His Church there is a widespread desire for unity centered in His Person.

#### OUR MESSAGE

Against this background and in relation to it, we have to proclaim our message.

Our message is Jesus Christ. He is the revelation of what God is and of what man through Him may become. In Him we come face to face with the ultimate reality of the universe; He makes known to us God as our Father, perfect and infinite in love and in righteoueness; for in Him we find God incarnate, the final, yet ever-unfolding, revelation of the God in whom we live and move and have our being.

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We will not ourselves offer any further formulation of the Christian message, for we remember that as lately as in August, 1927, the World Conference on Faith and Order met at Lausanne, and that a statement on this subject was issued from that Conference after it had been received with full acceptance. We are glad to make this our own.

"The message of the Church to the world is and must always remain the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"The Gospel is the joyful message of redemption both here and hereafter, the gift of God to sinful man in Jesus Christ.

"The world was prepared for the coming of Christ through the activities of God's Holy Spirit in all humanity, but especially in His revelation as given in the Old Testament; and in the fulness of time the eternal Word of God became incarnate and was made man, Jesus Christ, the Son of God and the Son of Man, full of grace and truth.

"Through His life and teaching, His call to repentance, His proclamation of the coming of the Kingdom of God and of judgment, His suffering and death, His resurrection and exaltation to the right hand of the Father, and by the mission of the Holy Spirit, He has brought to us forgiveness of sins, and has revealed the fulness of the living God and His boundless love toward

us. By the appeal of that love, shown in its completeness on the Cross, He summons us to the new life of faith, self-sarifice, and devotion to His service and the service of men.

"Jesus Christ, as the crucified and the living One, as Saviour and Lord, is also the center of the world-wide Gospel of the Apostles and the Church. Because He Himself is the Gospel, the Gospel is the message of the Church to the world. It is more than a philosophical theory; more than a theological system: more than a program for material betterment. The Gospel is rather the gift of a new world from God to this old world of sin and death; still more, it is the victory over sin and death, the revelation of eternal life in Him who has knit together the whole family in heaven and on earth in the communion of saints, united in the fellowship of service, of prayer, and of praise.

"The Gospel is the prophetic call to sinful man to turn to God, the joyful tidings of justification and of sanctification to those who believe in Christ. It is the eomfort of those who suffer; to those who are bound it is the assurance of the glorious liberty of the sons of God. The Gospel brings peace and joy to the heart, and produces in men self-denial, readiness for brotherly service, and compassionate love. It offers the supreme goal for the aspirations of youth,

We will not ourselves offer any further formulation of the Christian message, for we remember that as lately as in August, 1927, the World Conference on Faith and Order met at Lausanne, and that a statement on this subject was issued from that Conference after it had been received with full acceptance. We are glad to make this our own.

"The message of the Church to the world is and must always remain the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"The Gospel is the joyful message of redemption both here and hereafter, the gift of God to sinful man in Jesus Christ.

"The world was prepared for the coming of Christ through the activities of God's Holy Spirit in all humanity, but especially in His revelation as given in the Old Testament; and in the fulness of time the eternal Word of God became incarnate and was made man, Jesus Christ, the Son of God and the Son of Man, full of grace and truth.

"Through His life and teaching, His call to repentance, His proclamation of the coming of the Kingdom of God and of judgment, His suffering and death, His resurrection and exaltation to the right hand of the Father, and by the mission of the Holy Spirit, He has brought to us forgiveness of sins, and has revealed the fulness of the living God and His boundless love toward

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"The Gospel is the sure source of power for social regeneration. It proclaims the only way by which humanity can escape from those class- and race-hatreds which devastate society at present into the enjoyment of national well-being and international friendship and peace. It is also a gracious invitation to the non-Christian world, East and West, to enter into the joy of the living Lord.

"Sympathizing with the anguish of our generation, with its longing for intellectual sincerity, social justice, and spiritual inspiration, the Church in the eternal Gospel meets the needs and fulfils the God-given aspirations of the modern world. Consequently, as in the past so also in the present, the Gospel is the only way of salvation. Thus, through His Church, the living Christ still says to men, 'Come unto me! . . . He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.'"

#### THE MISSIONARY MOTIVE

If such is our message, the motive for its delivery should be plain. The Gospel is the answer to the world's greatest need. It is not our discovery or achievement; it rests on what we recognize as an act of God. It is first and foremost "Good News." It an-

nounces glorious Truth. Its very nature forbids us to say that it may be the right belief for some but not for others. Either it is true for all, or it is not true at all.

But questions concerning the missionary motive have been widely raised, and such a change in the habits of men's thoughts as the last generation has witnessed must eall for a re-examination of these questions.

Accordingly we would lay bare the motives that impel us to the missionary enterprise. We recognize that the health of our movement and of our souls demands a self-criticism that is relentless and exacting.

In searching for the motives that impel us we find ourselves eliminating decisively and at once certain motives that may seem, in the minds of some, to have become mixed up with purer motives in the history of the movement. We repudiate any attempt on the part of trade or of governments, openly or covertly, to use the missionary cause for ulterior purposes. Our Gospel by its very nature and by its declaration of the sacredness of human personality stands against all exploitation of man by man, so that we cannot tolerate any desire, conscious or unconscious, to use this movement for purposes of fastening a bondage, economic, political, or social, on any people.

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Nor bave we the desire to bind up our Gospel with fixed ecclesiastical forms which derive their meaning from the experience of the Western Church. Rather the aim should be to place at the disposal of the younger churches of all lands our collective and historic experience. We believe that much of that heritage has come out of reality and will be worth sharing. But we ardently desire that the younger churches should express the Gospel through their own genius and through forms suitable to their racial heritage. There must be no desire to lord it over the personal or collective faith of others.

Our true and compelling motive lies in the very nature of the God to whom we have given our hearts. Since He is love, His very nature is to share. Christ is the expression in time of the eternal self-giving of the Father. Coming into fellowship with Christ we find in ourselves an over-mastering impulse to share Him with others. We are eonstrained by the love of Christ and by obedience to His last command. He Himself said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more

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Herein lies the Christian motive; it is simple. We cannot live without Christ and we cannot bear to think of men living without Him. We cannot be content to live in a world that is un-Christlike. We cannot be idle while the yearning of His heart for His brethren is unsatisfied.

Since Christ is the motive the end of Christian missions fits in with that motive. Its end is nothing less than the production of Christlike character in individuals and societies and nations through faith in and fellowship with Christ the living Saviour, and through corporate sharing of life in a divine society.

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### THE SPIRIT OF OUR ENDEAVOR

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But while we record these failures we are also bound to record with thankfulness the achievements of the Christian Church in this field. The difference between the Europe known to St. Paul and the Europe known to Dante, to Luther, to Wesley is plain for all to see. From every quarter of the globe comes testimony to the liberation effected by Christ for women. Since the vast changes made by the development of industrialism have come to be appreciated, every country has had its Christian social movements and the Universal Conference on Life and Work, held at Stockholm in 1925, revealed how widespread and influential these have become. Truly our efforts have not been commensurate with the needs of the world or with the claim of Christ; but in what has been accomplished and attempted we have already great encouragement for the days to come. In par-

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2. To non-Christians also we make our call. We rejoice to think that just because in Jesus Christ the light that lighteneth every man shone forth in its full splendor, we find rays of that same light where He is unknown or even is rejected. We welcome every noble quality in non-Christian persons or systems as further proof that the Father, who sent His Son into the world, has nowhere left Himself without witness.

Thus, merely to give illustration, and making no attempt to estimate the spiritual value of other religions to their adherents, we recognize as part of the one Truth that sense of the Majesty of God and the consequent reverence in worship, which are conspicuous in Islam; the deep sympathy for the world's sorrow and unselfish search for the way of escape, which are at the heart of Buddhism; the desire for contact with Ultimate Reality conceived as spiritual, which is prominent in Hinduism; the belief in a moral order of the universe and consequent insistence on moral conduct, which are inculcated by Confucianism; the disinterested pursuit of truth and of human welfare which are often found in those who stand for secular civilization but do not accept Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

Especially we make our eall to the Jewis people, whose Scriptures have become or own, and "of whom is Christ as concerning the flesh," that with open heart they tue to that Lord in whom is fulfilled the hoj of their nation, its prophetic message, are its zeal for holiness. And we call upon of fellow Christians in all lands to show Jews that loving-kindness that has too seed on been shown towards them.

We call on the followers of non-Christi religions to join with us in the study Jesus Christ as He stands before us in the Scriptures, His place in the life of the worl and His power to satisfy the human hear to hold fast to faith in the unseen and etern in face of the growing materialism of the world; to cooperate with us against all the evils of secularism; to respect freedom conscience so that men may confess Christiand to discern that all the good of whimen have conceived is fulfilled and securin Christ.

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But we would insist that when the Gospel of the Love of God comes home with power to the human heart, it speaks to each man, not as Moslem or as Buddhist, or as an adherent of any system, hut just as man. And while we rightly study other religions in order to approach men wisely, yet at the last we speak as men to men, inviting them to share with us the pardon and the life that we have found in Christ.

3. To all who inherit the benefits of secular civilization and contribute to its advancement we make our call. We claim for Christ the labors of scientists and artists. We recognize their service to His cause in dispersing the darkness of ignorance, superstition, and vulgarity. We appreciate also the noble elements that are found in nationalist movements and in patriotism, the loyalty, the self-devotion, the idealism,

which love of country can inspire. But even these may lead to strife and bitterness and narrowness of outlook if they are not dedicated to Christ; in His universal Kingdom of Love all nations by right are provinces, and fulfil their own true destiny only in His service. When patriotism and science are not consecrated they are often debased into self-assertion, exploitation, and the service of greed. Indeed, throughout all nations the great peril of our time arises from that immense development of man's power over the resources of nature which has been the great characteristic of our epoch. This power gives opportunity for wealth of interest, and, through facilities of communication, for freedom of intercourse such as has never been known. But it has outgrown our spiritual and moral control.

Amid the clashes of industrial strife the Gospel summons men to work together as brothers in providing for the human family the economic basis of the good life. In the presence of social antipathies and exclusiveness the Gospel insists that we are members of one family, and that our Father desires for each a full and equal opportunity to attain to His own complete development, and to make his special contribution to the richness of the family life. Confronted by international relations that constantly flow Christ's law of love, there is laid on all who

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THE CHRISTIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGIONS

Outline of statement to be presented by The Rev. James Thayer Addison, D.D. December 10, 1940, 2:00 p.m.

#### A. Historical Development Since 1800

Attitude mainly determined by belief as to origin and nature of non-Christian religions. Who is responsible for these religions - God or Satan? Prevailing verdict for two or three generations: Primitive revelation in days of Genesis, but Satan responsible ever since. Authority of Calvin. Example of Martyn and scores of others. Expecting evil, they found it in abundance. Vicious circle. Hence missions defined in martial terms as attacking the Enemy. All opposition attributed to Satan. Hence also low estimate of non-Christian civilizations. "Poor deprayed heathen."

Long persistence of traditional missionary position. Yet during last two generations marked changes. Changes due to

- (a) Development of Christian theology. Changing views as to character of God, meaning of judgment and hell, and especially as to nature of revelation.
- (b) Development of psychology of religion, viewing religions not simply as system of beliefs, but as inner experience.
- (c) Growth of knowledge about facts of non-Christian religions, their history and literature.

Pioneers express these changing attitudes during later nineteenth century - Clear statement of newer views at Edinburgh 1910. Full development of liberal attitude at Jerusalem 1928.

An attitude now widely accepted: God revealing Himself in hearts of men everywhere and always. For all that is good in non-Christian religion God Himself is responsible. Hence new readiness to note and welcome every sign of beauty and truth.

Yet only in Christ has God fully and finally revealed Himself. Distinction between Christian revelation and others is distinction between the complete and the partial, the perfect and the imperfect. Warm appreciation of the signs of God's wide-reaching revelation compatible with unique supremacy of Christ who offers to men of every creed and race all that they have hitherto treasured, and, beyond that, yet other gifts far surpassing their power to imagine.

Above would summarize main trends up to Jerusalem meeting of 1928. Since then two other lines of thought have attained wide publicity.

- (a) The Barthian or semi-Barthian teaching of which H. Kraemer is leading exponent.
- (b) The ultra-liberal views of which Prof. Hocking is leading exponent.

Kraemer and other semi-Barthians claim all non-Christian religions are the efforts of man to apprehend God. Alien faiths the remarkable product of human religious endeavor. Outside of Biblical revelation, man has to do all the seeking himself. No initiative on God's part. Christianity in no sense the fulfilment of other religions.

Hocking and similar liberals condemn traditional missionary aim of "radical displacement" and assert there is "no only way to God." Urge value of synthesis and aim at the way of "reconception" - indefinitely progressive search for truth by sympathetic interpretation and mutual sharing.

- B. Problems for Discussion: I. Theoretical, concerned with theology.
  - II. Practical, concerned with missionary policy.

#### I. Theoretical

e.g. - (a) The nature of revelation. Can it be general through nature, reason, history, and direct mystical experience - or must it be special only? Is it incomprehensible miracle, hidden except to faith? Are nature and grace, reason and revelation discontinuous? Cf. Barthian, Catholic, and Liberal positions. Has God been, and is He, active in relation to Jews and Christians but passive in relation to all others? What has been the function of the Eternal Word or the Holy Spirit through all ages?

(b) The nature of judgment and punishment. What is the ultimate fate of all who die having rejected Christ? Of all who die never having heard His

name?

(c) What is the value and meaning of the experience of the mystic? Can devout non-Christians have direct contact with God Himself? Can God be partially known without Christ?

(d) Is Christinity in any sense the fulfilment of other religions?

## II. Practical

e.g. - (a) Is the missionary enterprise primarily the proclamation of truth or the search for truth? Is the preaching of truth known in Christianity incompatible with the recognition and appreciation of truth known elsewhere?

(b) What is meant by "mutual sharing"? What is the value in it as a missionary method? What, if any, are its dangers or false presuppositions? Can Christians learn anything from adherents of other religions? Can Christionity learn anything from leaders of other religions? Con Christ learn anything from leaders of other religions?

(c) What is meant by points of contact? What use can rightly be made

of them? Are they significant for theology or only for pedagogy?

(d) What is meant by the adaptation of the Christian message? Can we distinguish between re-expression and accommodation or assimilation? What is the test?

(e) Can a religion with the claims of Christianity outgrow the need for, and practice of, proselytism and conversion?

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\*A number of Continental delegates to the Jerusalem conference feel constrained to put into words the conviction which we hope is common to all delegates, that all our mission work is based exclusively on the great acts of God for the redemption of mankind; in particular the sending of His only begotten Son, His death on the Cross for the redemption of the world, His resurrection as the beginning of a new God-given life for redeemed humanity. We are the messengers of God to proclaim this redemption. The context of our message is the Father God whose children we become through our Saviour Jesus Christ, and the invitation to accept this salvation by faith. Therefore it is the main task of missions to work for the conversion of men, that is, their conscious break with their past life, the New Testament metanoia required of all Christians.

"In view of these facts, though fully acknowledging the spiritual values in the non-Christian religions, we are disquieted by the question whether the offer of salvation to non-Christians can be made by setting over against one another the spiritual values of the non-Christian and the Christian religions, the scheme followed by most of the papers presented to us.

"Further, we do not believe that the central task of the Christian missions can be accomplished by a so-called 'Social Gospel," banding together all men of goodwill across the boundary lines of different religionsnin a common warfare against the evils of the world, indispensable and urgent though this warfare is.

"In view of the ominously rising tide of syncretism in the modern world and the fact that the missionary movement is inevitably bound up with modern civilization, with its blessings and its curses, we regard it as an urgent duty for Protestant missions of all lands to stand firm on the basis of the way of salvation set forth in the whole Bible." THE "HAPPY HEATHEN"

A cynic is quoted in the Literary Digest as saying that the heathen are happy as they are—why bother them?

Recent developments in Russia are apropos. A group of twenty peasants, pushed to the Poland frontier by the intolerable conditions in Russia, was recently overhauled by soviet officials. Eight of the refugees were shot, according to a front-page headline. A magazine picture shows twelve women hitched to a plow. Happy heathen? Russia has abolished Deity.

Within a month the New York Times carried a picture of three women in Zululand, Africa. A girl in the center has been pledged in marriage by her father, receiving ten cows in payment. When wives are buried with their dead husbands, there must be great enjoyment in darkest Africa. Happy heathen!

Head hunters in our own Philippines are shown in a late issue of Asia. The head of a victim is stuck on a post and his friends circle in a weird dance. Happy heathen!

In India worshipers are pictured standing in the sacred river Ganges, bathing and drinking the foul waters simultaneously. Babes of 6 or 7 are married to grizzled old men. And when the husband dies the child wife has naught but mistreatment. Happy heathen!

China has millions starving and civic bodies and churches in America are collecting funds for relief. Famines in China and India are chronic conditions. Happy heathen!

Women of the Orlent tug their painful way up ladders with huge baskets of coal on their backs, coaling the liners from lighters below. Happy heathen!

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We have to confess that the whisky barrel has too often romped in after the missionary. However, this is not chargeable to the religionist. Among the most devoted patriots of this country are those giving up their lives in foreign lands.

And they may be among the best protectors of our own country in the future. For unless the rising tide of color learns the lowly spirit of the Man of Galilee, America with her wealth and liberty may become a target instead of a haven.

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# Roosevelt Message to Hirohito

From the Herald Tribune Bureau WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The text of the message sent to the Emperor of Japan yesterday by President Roosevelt, made public late today, follows:

Aimost a century ago the President of the United States addressed to the Emperor of Japan a message extending an offer of friendship of the people of the United States to the people of Japan. That offer was accepted, and in the long period of unbroken peace and friendship which has followed, our respective nations, through the virtues of their peoples and the wisdom of their rulers have prospered and have substantially helped humanity.

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Developments are occurring in the Pacific area which threaten to deprive each of our nations and ail humanity of the beneficial influence of the long peace between our two countries. Those developments contain tragic possibilities,

The people of the United States, believing in peace and in the right of nations to live and let live, have eagerly watched the conversations between our two governments during these past months. We have hoped for a termination of the present conflict between Japan and China. We have hoped that a peace of the Pacflic could be consummated in such a way that nationalities of many diverse peoples could exist side by side without fear of invasion; that unbearable burdens of armaments could be lifted for them all; and that all peoples would resume commerce without discrimination against or in favor of any nation. I am certain that it will be clear

I am certain that it will be clear to Your Majesty, as it is to me, that in seeking these great objectives both Japan and the United States should agree to eliminate any form of military threat. This seemed essential to the attainment of the high objectives.

Cites Agreement With Vichy

More than a year ago Your Majesty's government concluded an agreement with the Vichy government by which ve or six thousand Japanese troops were permitted to enter into northern French Indo-China for the protection of Japanees troops which were operating against China farther north. And this spring and summer the Vichy government permitted further Japanese military forces to enter into southern French Indo-China for the common defense of French Indo-China. I think I am correct in saying that no attack has been

made upon Indo-China, or that any has been contemplated.

During the last few weeks it has become clear to the world that Japanese military, naval and air forces have been sent to southern Indo-China in such large numbers as to creat a reasonable doubt on the part of other nations that this continuing concentration in Indo-China is defensive in its character.

Because these continuing concentrations in Indo-China have reached such large proportions and because they extend now to the southeast and the southwest corners of that peninsula, it is only reasonable that the people of the Philippines, of the hundreds of islands of the East Indies, of Malaya and of Thailand itself are asking themselves whether these forces of Japan are preparing or intending to make attack in one or more of these many directions.

Calls Continuance Unthinkable

I am sure that Your Majesty will understand that the fear of all these peoples is a legitimate fear inasmuch as it involves their peace and their national existence. I am sure that Your Majesty will understand why the people of the United States in such large numbers look askance at the establishment of military, naval and air bases manned and equipped so greatly as to constitute armed forces capable of measures of offense.

It is clear that a continuance of such a situation is unthinkable.

None of the peoples whom I have spoken of above can sit either indefinitely or permanently on a keg of dynamite.

There is absolutely no thought on the part of the United States of invading Indo-China if every Japanese soldier or sailor were to be withdrawn therefrom.

I think that we can obtain the same assurance from the governments of the East Indies, the governments of Malaya and the government of Thailand. I would even undertake to ask for the same assurance on the part of the government of China. Thus a withdrawal of the Japanese forces from Indo-China would result in the assurance of peace throughout the whole of the South Pacific area.

I address myself to Your Majesty at this moment in the fervent hope that Your Majesty may, as I am doing, give thought in this definite emergency to ways of dispelling the dark clouds. I am confident that both of us, for the sake of the peoples not only of our own great countries, but for the sake of humanity in neighboring territories, have a sacred duty to restore traditional amity and prevent further death and destruction in the world.

# Assails Japan's Attack on U.S.

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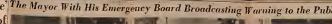


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your readers.—Yours, etc., Calcutta, Dec. 14. R. S. B.

MR. GANDHI AND THE To the Enton of the "Stateman."

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## **GANDHIDOUBTS PACTS** WILL EVER END WAR Men Must Change Spiritually

and Adopt Non-Violence as Weapon, He Says. NO STATE MEETS HIS IDEAL

His Perfect Government Put

Individual Growth and Rights
Above All Else.

CALLS WEST MATERIALISTIC Deorles Selfishness Mahatma

Narrow Nationalism

an Airplane Ride. NEW DELHI, India, March 22 pt. "Office walk with me at 4 victock in the morning and I will anwer all your questions." Mhantma singdhi and when saked for an interiew. And, with several hundred adnirers behind him, the National cades, acting a rapid pace, despite cades. acting a rapid pace, despite

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## FOREIGN MISSIONS IN INDIA.

# APTIL 1931

OTO THE EDITOR OF "THE TIMES OF INDIA."

Sir,-Asked if he would favour the retention of American and other foreign missionaries when India Gandlin cured self-government, Mr.

reported to have replied: "1f. intead of confining themselves to purely humanitarian work and materia. service to the poor they limit their

octivities, as they do at present, to proselytising by means of medical nid, education etc. then I would eertainly ask them to withdraw."

May I humbly request Mr. Gandhi to be so unkind to them, at least the interest of the poor untouch-lies of India, until he finds that he interest of the poor introduces s of India, until he finds that stigms of untouchability attach-to the fair name of the Hindus their religion is finally wiped Mr. Gandhi has conveniently ables of off. Mr. Gandhi has conveniently ignored the great service rendered by the missionaries. I mean their efforts for the social uplift of the poor the degraded in this country, ware noteworthy and deserve to

gratefully acknowledged. gratefully acknowledged. They indeed rendered very valuable vice to the Hindu community at

warmly welcoming within d their (the Hindus') own l kin, the depressed classes, and kin, Hindus 80 wantonly unjustly disearded from their as untouchables. midst

What n debt of gratitude w charity. Alr. Gandhi is sof the phenomenon that touchable brethren is surely awar these 1177 touchable brethren of ours at obecome touchables to us, as if by mugical wand, and enjoy as good social position as our own as soon they become Christians. We I if by a 95 Hipreligion

dus boast of our own religion and philosophy, which identifies the indivi-dual with the universal soul and makes dual with the universal soul and makes it abundantly elear that if one truly loves himself—and that he does so is undoubted—then it follows naturally enough that he must love the whole humanity which is his own kith and kin. The Bhagavata Dharma is also based solely on the principles of based solely on the principles of chimsa, equality and love, and as such makes no distinction between man and man, Brahmin and Shudra,

d Brahmin and untouchable. In spite of such religion and philo-phy we bave continued for ages and sophy to exercise social tyranny of the worst kind over our untouchable bre-thren. Evidently the grand princito exercise social

ples enunciated in these exist only in theory and the practice of it belongs to the Christian missionary whom we our team. aeknowledge as

must see nowiedge as our teacher and guide in this respect. Every one of us knows that the mandate of fife Gandhi and the Congress about the removal of untouchability before the attainment of Swarajya has been set at nought by his followers and Congressites because it does not set at nought by ms it does Congressites because it does please them to earry it out, and that it would never p nct it is please eeriain that it would never them to carry it out even India secures self-government love so much to tyrannise of

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admit that the Hindu religion is strong enough in its present deplor-able condition to help the Hindus to drive away untouchability. At any tate, before thinking of driving away the foreign missionaries from india it is highly essential that untouchability should be driven away and that the should be driven away and that the problem of its removal should in all earnestness be made the subject of

moval nade the suc-propaganda. It is is ripe and if it is ever will be. Will lieutenants urgent carnestness be made the supper of a countrywide propaganda. The time for doing so is ripe and if it is not done now it never will be. Will not Mr. Gandhi and his Heutenants direct their attention to this urgent matter as early as possible? May fled inspire him to do so!

G. M. THENGE

Bombay, 23rd March,

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Meivan
Bombay Pres.
India
4,Dec.1930

My dear Mrs.Goheen,

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I am sorry that at this time you era not in Indie to wetch the repid growth of the national ewekening. It is so great thet none of us could have enticipated that the ewakening would be so sudden end wide that all sorts of people of all cestes end creeds from one end of Indie to the other ere included. It can be truly seid that during these eight months that is since the beginning of Mahatma Gandhi's historical merch we have lived for eight hundred yeers. The upheeval has reached to the masees to the lowest stretum. I fear even you who knows so much of Mother Indis and her mind and present espirations cannot reelize the megnitude of the present ewakening; but you cen form e feirly good ides when you know how boldly the Indian womanhood is taking part in this etruggle. Our Indien sisters' courage end willing suffering is so very greet that I could call it simply sublima; e body is struck with edmiretion. They ere undeunted before police firing or lethi (heevy cenes) charges. Their self-secrificing and heroic deads will adorn the peges of Indien history. Even en eged mother is willing to ellow her son to join in this peaceful end bloodlese wer though by this permission she is sending him to sure imprisonment and great suffering for months. Can you believe that e ledy of position having a child to her breest, willingly going to jeil though one word of regret is enough to set her free? Son you believe a percheanin (behind the curtein) lady etruggling with police who wanted to snetch away the netionel flag which leeding a procession and not giving up that fleg till she became senseless? In the hot sun of Armedabad the wife end daughter of e greet millionaire courted imprisonment by going es pickets. These ladies would not have stepped cut of their house without e motor. If I write names of these heroic ladies I shall have to fill up peges. All sorts of man are teking willing part in this struggle. Sixty thousend sons of Mother India are in prison for disobeying the so-ceiled lews of Government. All these lews are looked upon as lewless laws by men like Mahetma Gandhi end by meny others leaders like universally revered men like Medan Melwiye and Mr. Petel, the precident of our Legisletive Council hence they take pride in breaking them and willingly to go to jail.

Even the officers here connot understend the extent of the present awakening; they ere still thinking that it is the outcome of the mischief of some foolish discontented men; and they think by little force and repressive measures they cen bring it under control or even kill it. It is not possible for Englishmen at home to reclize its greatness and bitterness. An American has said England was always too late. Is England going to repeat this

misteke. I feer England is going to repeet it.

Mr. Brailsford, an English gentlemen, ie touring through this country. He publishing his impressions. He says he convinced that a deep gulf separatee awakened India and Imperial Britain. To understand this vital difference one must grasp the fact that in every Indian soul burne a red-hot wound which the conqueror's superiority and arrogant manners have inflicted. Life in this Congrese movement in anntinuoue pendulum swing between liberty and jail. The English mind thinks in terms of gradual evolution and, under pressure is willing to take a step or several stepe towards the goal of Dominion Status and responsible government. The Indian mind is working in the reverse order: "My status, my dignity, my equality now," it claims; "Give me that and we will go on with a smile to talk of check, eafeguards and other

arrangements." I am sorry to find that almost ell the leaders except perhaps e very few have lost faith in England'e promises. For me it is really painful that every day hatred for the Englishman and everything English is growing and taking firm root in the mind of the younger generation. To remedy this evil England and the governing officers here must show real change of heart; but on the contrary in the name of law and order more repressive laws are passed and prohibitory orders are issued which is every day widening and deepening the gulf, and England is creating so many enemies. Even the sympathiae of men who think British connection for some years more was quite essential for India's welfare are being alienated by these daeds, and and followere of the Congress creed are growing every day, if this continues for some months more, I fear the present non-violent attitude will disappear. At any rate non-cooperation with white men and social boycot will increase. I am not at all surprised at the attitude of the officere. India has treated them as superior beings for generatione as if Indians were slaves in their own land and thue false nctions of superiority were created in them. Till yesterday it sahib (yes, sir) and it huzur (yee, your honor) was the stitude of Indians and therefore these men cannot realize that India can change their manners. They believe in their strong hand and they think that they can crueh the movement when they will seriously think to do so. I am really sorry the present movement is creating a sort of ineubordination in Indian youth and the traditional Indian respect for God and elders and kin is rapidly disappearing. Rovolt is every where and I do not know where we are going. May Merciful God bring new light to England and cause a change of heart and attitude, and give England courage to Indias right to a Government which will primarily carry on administration for India's good and thuse indirectly creat good will and friendship which will secure lasting benefit for England and lasting peace for the world.

I chall again write you after some days a fuller account of the events in our district and places near us like Malvan, Vengurla, and Chiroda. \* \* \* \*

I remain

yours sincerely,

(eigned)

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#### Famine in China

Famine conditions in Shantung Province in China remme conditions in Shantung Province in Coma are said to be worse than has been realized. As the Peking correspondent of the Manchester Guardian puts it they have been "grossly underestimated." Ten inilion persons are affected. For three successive years the crops have been poor. This year drought, locusts and war have caused a crop-failure that is subject to make the province of the province o

almost complete in large areas.

The China Famine Relief Committee in New York City says that hundreds of thousands have already died of starvation and deficiency diseases. Hundreds of thousands more are roaming the country, begging for food and eating grass, roots and barks of trees Infanticide, the selling of women and children into

slavery and parricide are common.

Food is available in Manchuria and other adjacent Provinces. Chinese Christian and non-Christian organizations are carrying on relief work. Gifts are being solicited from people of kind hearts everywhere. Many Chinese are giving generously, but the need far exceeds the possibilities of assistance that can be provided from Chinese resources.

The Indian Witness will be glad to receive gifts for relief in China and to forward them to our contemporary, The China Christian Advocate, for use by any relief organization that they may select. Contribu-

tions will be acknowledged in the paper.

#### Opium Control in Persia

The Mejliss has approved a proposal of the Persian Government for an Opium Monopoly through which the cultivation of the poopy and the traffic in opium will be brought under the control of the State. Internal consumption will be reduced by 10 per cent annually and export will be permitted only on the payment of a special fee. This official news comes by annually and export will be permitted only on the payment of a special fee. This official news comes by telegram from Teheran. It is good news but just how good time alone will tell. A special fee for export may mean much or little. If this provision of the law is mean much or little. If this provision of the law is provided to the provided of the to fight to protect themselves against that villainous traffic.

Persia has been one of the chief sources from wheth their supply of the drug has been obtained by the international criminals engaged in this traffic. During 1925, 346 tons of raw onum were shipped from Fersia for Vladivostock and 273 tons failed to reach resis for Vladivostock and 273 tons failed to reach the declared destination, having presumably been delivered to the despicable scoundrels who are carrying on the business of making dope-fiends in many coun-

Despite the admirable efforts of the League of Nations there has not been much improvement in the world situation with respect to opium. The international illegal traffic is in the bands of resourceful and desperate criminals and in some countries the Govern-ments have actually lost ground in their unceasing struggle with the enemy.

Persia's action was badly needed, and will greatly

strengthen the forces that are fighting for the protec-tion of society. It will shortly be followed by the setting up of a Permanent Control Board to be staffed

by the League of Nations Secretariat, which will carry on the fight to destroy the illegal traffic. One of the first efforts of the Board will probably be to determine from whom and by what methods the illicit traffickers procure their supplies.

#### July 8th, Independence Day

Four days after Americans, in their homeland and in many "far places," had celebrated the 152nd aniversary of the great events that occurred in Philadelphia July 4, 1776, a new declaration of independent dence was made. Representative women of highcaste Hindu homes met in the capital city of Bihar and proclaimed their refusal to submit any longer to the rule of the barbarous purdah system,

In the quality of courage required to support the declaration, the action of these ladies is comparable to that of the heroes of the Continental Congress. The rule from which they proclaimed their independence is more despotic and tyrannical than any potentate in fiesh and blood has ever exercised. Custom can be a noble conservator of values but it is often enslaver, a violent and vicious enemy of human lfare. Such it has been for centuries and now is as welfare.

welfare. Such it has been for centuries and now is as embodied in the purdah system.

The new declaration was made at Patna in the Radhika Institute. The day was Sunday,—a day of freedom from many of the petty tyrannies of life. It had been raining, but as the hour set for the great It had been raining, but as the hour set for the great welling to give an excuss for such of fall, as if the willing to give an excuss for such fall, as if the willing to give an excuss for such fall willing to give an excuss for such as the property of the common will be the such as the property of the common will be the such as the property of the common will be the such as the property of the common will be the such as the property of the direction and entered the nail. Some were accompanied by their husbands, some by their fathers, a few came alone. When the meeting opened and a woman, the venerable Sreemati Alak Raj Debi, was elected to the chair, the spacious hall was half-filled with Indian women, three-fourths of whom had been in purdah until that day

The meeting that followed may fairly be called "co-educational." Men and women took part in it "co-educational." Men and women took part in it on equal terms. No one spoke against the action on equal terms. No one spoke against the action that was being taken. It would have been of no use for any one to speak against it. By being in the meeting in the presence of men, the women had already broken purdah. Their presence was a stronger ready orosen purvain. Inerr presence was a stronger attack upon purvain than any proposal that could be put to the vote could possibly be. Resolutions actacking purvaich had often been adopted in Patna in meetings of men and women separately but the cory separateness of the meetings had proved that very separateness of the meetings had proved that the groups adopting them were not sure of their minds, their opinions were hesitant and tentative and they were afraid to act on them. Here they acted first and then voted.

The first resolution, moved and seconded by ladies. was as follows:

- (a) We, the ladies and gentlemen of Patna, assembled, hereby declare that we have to-day abolished the pernicious practice of purdah, which has done and is doing incalculable harm to our country, society and particularly to women;
- (b) And we appeal to other women of the Province, who are still wavering to

banish this system as early as they can and thereby improve their education and health:

And we further draw the attention of the ladies, coming out of purdah, to the ways of living of our sisters in Maharashtra, Gujrat, Karnatak, Madras, etc., who live in an essentially Indian style and appeal to them to model their life accordingly and live a simple and unostentatious life in the midst of their families and society without observing purdah, internal or external.

To implement this declaration a Committee of lates and gentlemen was appointed "to carry on an intensive campaign against purdah and for the spread of women's education in the province," and plans were projected for organizing ion every town, subdivision, thana and values education and the stabilishing abstract belief of the stabilishing and the stabilishing th Ashrams, "where ladies may stay for certain periods and be trained to make themselves simple, industrious and useful" through courses in dorrestic economy, midwifery, knitting, sewing, child-rearing, music, art, literature, history, geography, etc. To collect funds for the first of the Ashrams another Committee was formed.

This great meeting at Patna has been followed by the meetings, animated by the same high purposes the power occurage, in most of the important towns of the Powlines. At each of these gatherings men and women by the power occurrent together, thus giving important to the power of mediate effect to the resolutions adopted in favour of

the abolition of purdah

The sixty-year old Chairman of the Patna meeting The sixty-year on commands one rank meeting very modestly presented herself as an example of some of the pernicious effects of purduh, professing her ignorance of low to discharge the duties of her office. She could have found more convincing examoffice. She could have fourd more commends and ples, for her chairmanship was a decided success. A ples, for her chairmanship was a decided success. A quarters for describing the qurdah system as "barbarous." She described it as "inhuman." Attributing rous. She described a as shubman. Activiting its origin to men, she rejoices that they are realizing their mistake and warns them that they will stand condemned before the inexorable law of God if they do not do all in their power to wash away the stigma of their sin. Brave words these! And braver ones followed:

It is a false apprehension, she assures her hearers, to think that women outside *zurdah* would become victims to evil designs of unscrupulous men. It is victims to evir designs or unscruptions men. At is impossible to eliminate from society all scoundrels; some of them will exist whatever is done in regard to purdah, but the great rajority of women can be trusted to preserve their clastity without leing subjected to the atrocities of the purdah system.

One of the elements of strength in this movement, is that the men and women are acting jointly. The women are not in revolt against the men in their homes but men and women are in revolt together against an evil custom from which both have suffered against an evircusion from when boun have sourcered, terribly. The women have been deprived of liberty, of the privilege of enjoying the world of nature, of health, of education and of many of the friendships that should have enriched their lives. The men have that should have enriched their lives. The men have been deprived by the same process of the comrade-ship which they have needed and have been given instead an association much less satisfying and helpful. The children have been deprived of the benehelpful. The conferent nave over deprived of the tene-fits that would have come from having educated, healthful mothers and homes ennobled by the com-radeship of the parents. So husband and wife, recognizing their mutual losses and those of their children resolve to destroy their enemy, achieve their freedom and ennoble their lives and their homes with the benefits of which they have been deprived.

The movement has one unfortunate restriction. It is purely a Hindu movement. Moslem men and women were not included in the meeting at Patna nor in those that followed in other cities. It is to be hoped that

the organizers of the Movement will not make the mistake of encouraging the emancipated ladies to meet only Hindu men. That would have the effect of occuming men. nat would have the effect of accuming communal feeling. The social life of the accuming the social life of the so accentuating communal feeling.

A Bombay gentleman, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, temporarily resident in Bihar, gave forceful expression to a line of thinking that will have an immensely potent influence in extending this movement for freedom. He told his men hearers, that they had absolutely no right to claim Swaraj for themselves, so long as they kept their women in bondages that every men and woman has a right to be free and no one can take that right away from the women of the country without forfeiting the right to claim Swarai.

#### An Example for Moslem Women

While Hindu women are emancipating themselves, wine Hindu women are emancipating themselves, with the encouragement of enlightened men of their community, a resounding call to their Moslem neighbours to do the same thing comes from Queen Suraya and King Amanullah of Afghanistan. When Queen Suraya discarded the pardah upon embarking for Suraya discarded the pardah upon embarking for Europe a considerable sensation was caused, not only in her own country, but among Moslems in India. I was then freely suggested, however, that she would voluntarily return to its slavery upon her return to her home-land.

She had a wonderful time in Europe and made an excellent impression wherever she went. She and her royal husband learned a great many lessons during the tour and one of them was that life is too precious the torr and one of them was that HIE is too precious to throw away behind the purials. Returning to Kabul they found an early our ortunity to reveal their decision. The Queen is now appearing unveiled at public functions. Thus she calls to Moslem women, not in words that at best are feeble, but by example that is always potent and in her present circumstances

is mighty.

It is reported that the progressive spirit of the royal house has not yet reached the hearts of the roulvies of the capital city and that they are greatly disturbed over what they regard as a menace to morals and religion. It can be confidently expected that they and religion. It can be confidently expected that they will not be able to force their will upon the rulers. Their day of power is passing. Afghanistan will no Their day of power is passing. Alghamstan will no longer submit to the domination of bigoted and ignorant priests. The influence of progress in Egypt. Syria, Jrac, Felettire Persia, Turkey and India has penetrated their country and their Majesties have wheely take advantage Hereof to belo lead the nation forward. Cne invaluable aid to progress will be the en ergence of women from the purdah and this will be taking place in a steadily-increasing volume until all Moslem women, in both Afghanistan and India, are as free as are their Christian sisters of India and the Occident.

#### Age-of-Consent Reform in Baroda

The Government of His Highness, the Gaekwar, has undergirded its reputation for statesmanship by enacting legislation raising the age-of-consent in marriage from 13 to 14 and out of marriage from 15 This will make sexual intercourse with a wife under 14 years of age, or with another girl under 18 years of age, a penal offence regardless of whether or not consent has been given

or not consent has been given.
While Baroda takes this action the ultra-conservative Government of India hesitates about according support to a much less radical Bill that has receivable.

ed wide-spread backing from the public.

It is estimated that 300 converted Jews are serving as ministers of the Church of England.

May 4. 1931

#### THE PIONEER FOREIGN MISSIONARIES

# Mr. Gandhi on Religious Work Under Swaraj

Work Under Swaraj

Bonn, May 7.

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# MR. GANDHI'S AND THE R. T. CONFERENCE

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Borsan, Mar 7.

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Conference. The prospersonnel of the taken by Mr. G goes to the Lon Conference, show pros. Extract from Lotter of Rev. E. J. Hondrix, dated Dao. 15, 1923

most lote I have been reading articles that have amean in record to conditions in India. Some were wretty good whil drown. Especially is this true in record to riote and politic some but they were for the most nort local and were outckly no of political warest in India and in many places a very etrong Unfortunately this often finds everession in hostility towards thought. This is frequently voiced by the most extreme demons modern in India. The ocemies of Christianity often make use o the church as a western institution and entirely unfit for Ind will rob India of her religion just as the western nations have (Though Britain has given India a government rather than taken spite of all the obstructions the Gospel presses on to the con for Christ. Yet in numbers during the last decads our gain ba ening of the Christian conscience of India the gain has been m being secretly worshipped by thousands of Findus everywhere. a new Windu publication. "Not only would the acceptance of Chri unity, but His personality and principles would guarantee the Neither Hinduism nor Islam can produce the moral and spiritual safs and stable national life. The principles of Christ are i dranath Tagors refuses to permit an idol to be brought on the versity. Mr. Gandhi urges every Hindu to become 'a close stud Indian Social Reformer.' a Mindu publication, calls upon missis her endeavor to apoly the central teachings of Christ to her a of Travancore says: 'It is the Christian's Bible that will so regeneration of India.' Sir Ashutosh Mukerii. late Vice Chance ty, declared in a great public moeting. 'The Rible has been to

life. This turning to Christ ie the most significant thing to

today."

#### PLEA FOR SECOND CONFERENCE IN INDIA

New Dathi, March 21. Lord Sankey and Mr. Wedgwood Benn regard the sufeguards, evolved by the Round Table Conference, as final in substence and form, then there is no use our going to London and the second Round Table Conference, us far as the Indian masses concerned, must fail." do ure deelpred Mr. Gandhi to a press representative to-day before he participated in the conversations with Lord Irwin and the Conference dele-

Consumant issue
Conserving the vextuous HinduMoslem communal question, Mr.
Gundhi expressed grave doubts as
to whether unity could be achieved
before the National Congress
at Kurachi on March 27. He
hoped blas however some at Karachi on March 27. Her hoped that however measure of accord which might pave the way for eventual agreement between these wood disentations have to make the way for eventual agreement between these wood disentations have torn India for centuring racial groups whose

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#### TRUCE AND THE CONCRESS

"Do you expect to hold the Na-tional Congress to the terms of truce with Lod Irwin," Mr. with

"Yes, but if E-aga Sugh is bauged as away scent afract extent, it may have highly unfavour able represents or upon the younger element of the Cougess who may attempt to split the Cougess."
"Do you entertain any hope, thus Bhagat Singh may be saved at the last minute?"
Yes, but it is a very distant

hope. "Mr. Gandhi laughed over the speculation in the London press us to whether he would bring Mirabai to London." "If I go to the second Round Table Conference why should I not him ber? She is the most usefur assistant and besides she is arrived to see her nother who lives in

#### WAR AND THE FUTURE

Purmug from politics to general subjects, Mr. Gandhi mawered a number of questions.
"Do you think the Leugue of Nations will succeed in the exter-mination of wor?"
"War will never be exterminated by any ogquey until noon and na-

tions become more spiritual and adopt the principle of brotherhood and concord rather than the ancaand gonism, competition and supervority of brute force. Those in the West do not recognise the power of sparitust things hut some day they will and then they will be free from war erime, violence and the that go with these evils. West is too materialistic, West is too materialistic, selfish and narrowly nationalistic. What we want is the international mund

in the conversations was level and the conference getes.

Mc Gandhi pointed out that, under the terms of the recent stress with Lord Iren's, scope is allowed not only for a full iren's scope in the statements of the whole question of sateguards but it was used to be considered in the unferent of India. "I feet therefore that the statements in Parliament by Mr. Wedgwood Benn and Lord Sankey that afteguards must be in the interest of England as well as India are not strickly in continue." It is 2,000 years since the statements of the structure of

EVILS IN THE U. S. A provided by the table of the preceding claims of whence, the preceding claims of whence, the preceding claims of which the provided deposit on the United States? "I would cure them so by self-purchastions and rouw-kase." "Way ald you refuse to allow the work of the purchastions and rouw-kase." "Way ald you refuse to allow creek a monument so you?" "Way and you refuse to allow creek a monument is not a thing of short monument is not a thing of short constant in living deeds and a memory which surevies in the monument of the processing of the sure of the processing which the processing the sure of the processing the sure of the processing the processing

IMMORTALITY
"How long do you expect 60

live?" 'Until sternity," laugued Mr.

Ganda.
"Do you believe in immortali"Do you believe in immortaliyy?
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#### SERVICE BY WOMEN IN HINDU TEMPLES

Bill in Bombay Council to Prevent Dedication BOMBAY, (By Mail.)

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the President of the Council.

In the statement of objects and reasons it is explained that the practice of dedicating girls to Hindu temples for the purpose of serving an idol exists in the presidency. In recent times the practice has degenerated mainly into a method of initiating young women into a life of time.

morality which in many cases becomes compulsory by reason of the cruel custom that a girl so dedicated cannot contract a valid marriage.

#### CHRISTIAN SPIRIT WANTED IN INDIA Lord Irwin on Indo-British

Relations TRIBUTE TO WORK OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONS (REUTER) LONDON, May 26. A tribute to the great work of

Christian missions in India was paid by Lord Irwin speaking at the Church of Scotland Assembly at Edinburgh.

found to the problem of adjusting the relations between Indians and Britons unless it was possible to bring the Christian spirit to bear

upon it. The Leader

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"A" Squadron, 10-18th Hussars, defeated "2" Ammunition Column, R.A., in the Y.M.C.A. Cup foothall fournament at Risalpur (p. 11). The Royal Signals were beaten at Peshawar in the semi-final of the Services Golf Cup (p. 11).

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T HAS been a very thrilling experience to move back under the stimulus of this historic hour and examine the pages of our history; to uncover the beginnings of the Church's work of caring for her ministry in the hours of their need, and to trace the development of that work through the changing panorama of the years, until this day, which marks the 221st anniversary of that sacred work of Remembrance, which we have called Relief.

#### Early Settlers

The sparsely settled frontiers of those early days and widely separated towns and villages-connected by primitive roads through the trackless forestsmade difficult the organization, in the New World, of the Presbyterian Form of Government. It was not until the Scotch-Irish or Ulster Scots immigration into the valleys and mountainous sections of this state that the semi-Congregational churches began to move toward a Presbyterian grouping in Presbytery and then Synod. A hardy race, those early founders of our Church, who moved out from the safety of the cities, into the West, forming an impenetrable barrier between the forest savages and the inhabitants of this city, who were able to live in Peace because the Ulster Scots bore the brunt of Indian massacres, and watered this great new country with their blood, consecrating it with their many sacrifices in courageous warfare for the peace of their homes and the safety of their families.

#### A Hardy Race

We stand here today, rejoicing in our rich history and heritage, because of their sturdy and unmatched courage. They were a rebel race, who gave ground to none save Almighty God who alone was Lord of their consciences. One has only to read the pages of Presbytery and Synod Minutes to

realize that at any—aye, at every meeting—there were strong differences that sometimes tore them asunder for a while. An outsider, listening to the sound of controversy, or reading the record of those early meetings, would have spoken of religious warfare or contentious debate. But what to the Quaker was a fight, to those sturdy Scots and Scotch-Irish was merely a conference or an informative discussion.

#### "Remember"

From the very beginning, one great word of the New Testament broke in light before them—that moving word, "Remember." And despite their difficult conditions of life—or perhaps because of them—in spite of their long and sometimes bitterly contested debates, they remembered the aged and disabled among the ministry—and the bereft widows and orphans of those early pioneer martyrs. In the early meetings of Presbytery the need was uncovered, and at the first meeting of the Synod in Philadelphia they established the Fund for Pious Uses—which Fund comprehended the entire benevolent program of the little Church—and in which was enshrined a Church-wide care for the aged and disabled ministers and their families.

#### Committee of Synod

They were eminently practical in their administration of the Fund. At every meeting of Synod, beginning in 1717 and continuing until the Widows Fund was firmly established in 1759—a Committee was appointed to care for contributions, which were to be collected in each Church annually. The money thus secured was to be brought to the annual meeting of Synod by the pastors of the churches. And further, this very keen piece of promotion: every minister was to report to the Synod on his collection, and in the event of failure he himself was to pay 10 shillings into the Fund. The names of those bringing collections and those making personal offerings to be published in the minutes.

#### Modern Result

This well-conceived system, if in vogue today, would forever end the meagre pittances of our present Relief System. But if this General Assembly is a cross-section of our Church, nearly one-half of the ministerial Commissioners before me would have to come to this platform to pay their penalty—for nearly one-half of our Churches sent no contribution for Relief work this year.

#### Widow's Fund and 1856

The chartering of the Widow's Fund in 1759which organization continues its great history in the Presbyterian Ministers Fund of this day-gave a new impetus to the work of pensioning aged ministers and their families, and for many years was considered to be the chief agency of a growing Church in caring for the work of Remembrance. Although many petitions were laid before the General Assembly, beginning with the first meeting and continuing until the Disunion in 1837, it was not until the Old School Assembly of 1849 that a definite Plan was evolved, for annual Church-wide contributions for the support of aged ministers; and in 1856 the First Annual Report containing provisions for the setting up of a permanent fund was presented by Judge H. H. Leavitt, in an epochmaking speech which would greatly move our hearts even in these days of many and varied appeals.

#### Laymen

The New School Assembly established a Permanent Fund in 1864, and these years witnessed a remarkable growth in the feeling of responsibility in the hearts of the laymen, for the success of this Campaign of Remembrance. A report in 1862 is the first public reminder that the small total of contributions may be due to a sense of delicacy or a lack of vision on the part of the active pastors in failing to present this cause to the hearts and consciences of their people.

#### Board of Relief

The Reunion Assembly of 1870 merged the two Permanent Funds, which in 1876, October, became the chartered Board of Relief. For 31 years that Board was the repository of the rich traditions of those earlier Funds, which from Colonial days, had enshrined the work of the ministry in the heart of the Church.

#### Centennial Campaign

The years from 1876 onward saw the building of the Permanent Fund for Relief greatly increased by the Centennial Campaign of 1888, a Campaign which was sponsored by the Great Committee of the eldership of the Church (thus foreshadowing the modern campaign of the laymen of the Church which permanently sealed the successful building of the Service Pension Plan). The Permanent Funds were further increased by the Campaign for \$10,000,000 begun in 1906.

#### Sustentation Department

A more modern day in our Pension Program dawned in 1907 with the opening of the Sustentation Department to membership of the ministerial and missionary force of the Church. This set forth a new concept of the responsibility of the Church for the Social Security of her ministry. It was the first contributory reserve System in any Churchfinanced by fixed individual contributions from the members and from general Church benevolence. Although never universally accepted so far as active membership was concerned, it paved the way for the most modern of Church Pension Systemsbridging the gap between the past and its system of Relief and the present day with its modern ideal of well-rounded protection. Completely financed, and self-supporting, the Sustentation Department with its 1,449 pensioners, and 778 active members, is a monument to the progressive vision of our great Church.

#### Service Pension Plan

Our more vital interest today, however, is in the progress and growth of the Service Pension Plan, which sets forth the most modern and most effective means of protection for the minister and his family—protection established over the whole span of his active ministry from youth to old age, guarding him against the uncertainties of the path, and protecting his dear ones in the hour of his passing from this earthly scene. Its remarkable success in eleven years of operation is seen in the long arm of protection it has already thrown around the lives

of our brethren at home and abroad. For today there are going into the homes of the servants of the Church, the following sums:

 Retirement
 \$639,127

 65-Year
 87,920

 Disability
 135,661

 Widows
 230,391

 Orphans
 30,017

 Automatic
 97,916

Total—to 3,462 individuals—the sum of \$1,-221.033

Its financing is designed to make it self-supporting by the creation of reserves—scientifically calculated to be sufficient to pay out every pension from the beginning of the pension to the end of the life of the pensioner.

A Group System

It is of the nature of a group system, and as such requires the loyal and continuous support of every eligible worker of the Church, and organization which he serves. All participating organizations and members build together, by their dues payments, a Fund out of which any member, or his family, may receive those protective benefits which have not been earned by his own payments at the moment of his need—prior to his reaching the Pension age. For at that time his own payments shall have made possible his age Pension.

#### Protection Payments

These church dues payments not only assure the protection of the succession of pastors of that church, but also make it possible for other members to draw benefits which otherwise would not have been possible. If the dues of a single church were calculated to protect only the immediate pastor of that church and so on throughout the membership of the Plan, then the benefits would be so small as to be negligible.

#### Protective Benefits

But the protective benefits—disability, widows and orphans pensions—are only made possible by the payments of all into a group fund. And the creation of this Fund is the high mark of the great advance of the mind of our beloved Church, in its search for security for the servants of the Church.

#### Comprehensive Program

We are only in the beginning of our dream for a completely rounded Pension Program in the Church. It is the desire of your Board to comprehend a Program (so far as its mandate will carry it) that will bring service to the minister and his family in every realm of need in which the Board may qualify to provide service.

#### Accumulations Department

Your Board is today administering in your behalf what might be called Departments Supplementary to the Service Pension Plan. Such an one is the Accumulations Department, in which a minister active and physically capable at the age of 65 may fund his automatic pension to provide accumulation annuities at some later date-annuities additional to his regular pension. Or he may desire to deposit funds with which to purchase annuities of favorable interest additions, and the fact that no charge is made against his deposits, will provide more advantageous annuities than may be purchased in the commercial field. Hundreds of pastors and missionaries are today funding their annuities in this Department, and its funds today amount to \$749,602 (\$336,000 was added during this past vear).

#### Future Values

These are perhaps difficult days in which to contemplate the building up of individual deposits for the purchase of annuities as additional protection for old age, but I venture to prophesy that this Department, which has had a gratifying growth in this year just closed, will, in the years to come, round out the protection of the Service Pension Plan in a way not now realized.

#### Employees Pension Plan

Before the government projected its campaign for Social Security, and its unexpected amendment excluded churches and all church employees from the provisions of the Social Security Bill, your Board had prepared, and the General Assembly had adopted, the Employees Pension Plan. Fortunate it was that our Church, which throughout its American history could point to more than two centuries of Social Security for her ministers, could also point to a working Plan for the protection of those employees barred from government protection because of their employment by the Church. Today more and more of our churches are realizing their responsibility for the protection of faithful workers—but our moral obligation to these servants of church organizations needs revitalizing and a deeper spiritual interpretation. We need no spur by government, but we must have a keener understanding of our leadership in the realm of social welfare. We must look forward, in this year, to a great increase in the pension protection of those who may not be cared for under the Service Pension Plan.

#### Comparative Figures

It is a far cry from the date of the first grant for relief which was made in 1719, and a striking contrast between the grant of four pounds to the widow of the Rev. John Wilson at that time, and the vast sums which have gone to more than six thousand pensioners and relief annuitants in the year just closed:

For Relief Dept. . . . \$ 410,441 For Sustentation Dept. . 433,338 For Service Pension . 1,221,033 For Accumulations Dept. 25,700 For Employees Plan . 3,670

Total .....\$2,094,812

These figures do not take into consideration the care of our Homes in maintaining the hospitality of the Church for our honored guests—or the amounts paid out for Emergency and Flood Relief, all together totaling \$57,200.

#### Well-rounded Program

The passing years have seen the development of an extensive Pension Program which has for its ultimate object the solution of the problem of the Social Security of the minister in every phase of protection except that of old-line life insurance, which problem is so adequately handled by the Presbyterian Ministers Fund—itself an historical outgrowth of the colonial Church.

To illustrate:

For Pension Protection—the Sustentation, Service Pension, Accumulation and Employees Pension Departments.

For the Care of the Aged—the Relief Department and the four Homes administered by the

Board.

For the Hours of Illness—the Ministers' Cottage in Albuquerque.

For the Hours of Threatening Tragedy—the Emergency and Temporary Relief Fund.

#### Emergency Fund

This latter fund set up by the Board itself to meet an extraordinary problem created by the years of economic depression-problem of decreased income which drifted far below the subsistence level, in certain sections of our country in the lives of many of our younger ministers, and problems created by the horrors of flood and famine, which could not be met except by the creation of a Special Fund out of undesignated legacies which gave the Board freedom of allocation. Since January, 1932, over three hundred ministers and their families have received nearly \$75,000 in temporary grants. The Board will receive special individual gifts for this Fund, which meets a special need not possible to answer under the rules of any other Board Department.

#### Convalescent Home

There is one great need of the Church to which we summon the attention of this and succeeding General Assemblies. While provision is made through the generosity of Presbyterian and private hospitals for the care and healing of those among the ministry who need hospitalization, there is no convalescent home or sanitorium for those who need a period of rest and relaxation; and this need is very great. Many ministers are forced to resign their churches or go without salary, or seriously and sometimes permanently impair their health while faced with the necessity for a period of retirement from active service because of some form of physical disability which is only temporary. A sanitorium near one of the great medical centers of the country, fully

equipped for nursing care and medical and surgical service with adequate provision for hospitalization and completely endowed and self-supporting, would be one of the richest and most enduring gifts the life of the ministry might receive. Such a sanitorium would solve a problem that destroys the peace of many of our ministerial families and would save heartbreak in many homes. Some day, please God, this ideal shall be realized.

#### Problems of Unemployed Ministers

But there is another problem. What are we doing for the unemployed among our brethren?

Their needs and the period of their unemployment may never be met or prophesied by any sort of actuarial calculation, but in periods of economic stress their anxiety and the distress of their families is a tragic commentary on one weakness of the great Church we love. We may endeavor to salve our consciences by well constructed arguments as to why these tragedies occur, but while our Presbyteries fail to act our brethren starve. And the vast majority of them long to preach and serve, and they cannot. Is it nothing to us that God's servantsand their dear ones-languish in bitter poverty? Your Board will gladly administer sums of money given for this temporary purpose, but the only satisfactory solution is in the hands of Presbytery to work out a plan to establish unemployment funds, and create a plan by which our Presbyterian unemployed may be transferred from one section of the Church to another, and given opportunity to do the work of Christ, which means more to them than a charitable dole from government or Church. How can we keep our hearts high while our brethren. many of them young and strong-hearted, lead their wives and children into a WPA or Relief breadline?

#### Questions of Increased Benefits

The most recent years have brought from many sections of the Church questions regarding the possibility of increased benefits in the Service Pension Plan. And in answering these very proper queries, may I say, first, that the Board of Pensions and its

officers have no reason for their existence and continuing service apart from your interests and the proper administration and safe keeping of the Funds entrusted to us by the Church. This is, in very truth, The Board of the Ministry, and we assure you that it is our primary concern to construct the protection of the Service Pension Plan on as generous and comprehensive a platform as is consonant with safe and sound Pension practise, which means, fundamentally, the integrity of the Reserves for which your Board serves as trustee. We shall not wait for a request from the Church but will propose increased benefits or new benefits when it is assured that, in accordance with actuarial calculations, an income surplus exists.

#### Increases Already Made

And already your Board has made possible, advantages to the Church in the operation of the Pension Plan which were not originally contemplated. It has allowed churches to cease dues payments temporarily during periods of pulpit vacancy or subsequent to the sixty-fifth birthday of the minister. It has set a very small penalty-in the case of omitted years-so that the protective benefits of the Plan are not seriously impaired. It has changed the requirement of retirement for the older group of active ministers, and made possible a 70-year automatic pension for over 500 of our brethren. And today we present an amendment which in itself is a new benefit and will need additional funds to finance. Your Board will always rejoice in the possibility of increased benefits and will announce them when the opportunity is ripe.

## Progressive Interest in Gare for Ministry

If we have read history aright, we have seen in every stage of the life of the Church profound and progressive interest in the welfare of the ministry.

In the Colonial era we read of the deep concern of the heart of the little Church for the families of those ministers who had come to the new land as colonists and missionaries. This concern, deepening and enriching, developed in the nineteenth century into provision for a Permanent Fund for the care

of retired or disabled ministers. In the twentieth century the mind of the Church has turned to provisions for protection—throughout the active and the inactive years of the minister's life. And to the development of that ideal, the coming years are dedicated.

#### Tasks Complete

Do the pages of history speak to us of any unfinished tasks? A Service Pension Plan—our protector now, self-supporting, and with its Reserves accurately and safely calculated for the coming day. The Sustentation Plan is completely financed, and its promises will be kept to the end of our demand upon it.

#### Tasks Unfinished

But the task begun in 1717 is not yet accomplished: To comfort the aged servants in the Church in their latter years through the Relief Department, which enshrines the holiest traditions of the past—and calls us to Remembrance anew; to support them by the annual benevolent gifts of the Church, remains the sacred task of the Church, until they join the Church Triumphant.

#### Heroes of the Past

Their intercessions are our bulwark as we meet together here today. In their little homes or rooms, they wait to see the first faint coming of that Heavenly Dawn toward which they have always moved. Let us take up their song and sing it with them as they quietly march along—making sure that as they go they shall not faint nor be comfortless, and be ready to see the King as He Comes to meet them.

#### Colonial Voices of the Ministry

And, in closing, the voices of the ministry come to me, as they braved the wilderness and the trackless forests in the early Colonial days, preaching and serving; helping to ward off the threats of the savages; building a civilization and the Temple of God—digging deep the foundations of the Church we love and honor today. Settling in their own way the torturing controversies of their day, and triumphing at last, in the First General Assembly—150 years ago.

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#### In Recent Centuries

Then, moving out into a new century, in a new nation to whose early triumphs many of their comrades had given their lives; building a greater Church in spite of divisions and wars of disunion; moving back in united service, in increasing influence and growth; making contributions to life and spiritual liberty which are the great traditions of the Church. A mighty band they were—our Presbyterian leaders of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

#### Our Heritage

And a rich and compelling heritage is ours; the liberties we enjoy have their blood stains upon them, and the place in which we stand in the service of the Church in this land and in the world today is holy ground.

#### Salute to This Generation

To you, my brethren, facing a world no easier to win for Christ than the world through which the Early Church made her way; to you, facing a world of ideas which threaten to dim the light of Christ, in the hearts of multitudes of our fellowmen today; to you, in the hours of your weakness and in the hours of your strength—the Board of Pensions pays its tribute of affection and fellowship, and we stand today "your servants—for Jesus' sake."



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# Ministers' Annuity Fund of the

Presbyterian Church in the United States

#### Paragraph 3

Minimum Annuity for Less Than Thirty-five Years
of Service

If the service of a member of the Fund rendered as outlined in Paragraph 2 is less than thirty-five years, and the earned annuity does not amount to \$600, his minimum annuity shall he such proportion of \$600 as the years of service bear to thirty-five. In no case shall the additional annuity required to raise the earned annuity to the minimum he provided unless the member shall have heen ten years in the service of the Church hefore retirement.

#### Paragraph 4

When Payment on an Annuity May Be Suspended
If a member to whom an annuity has been grant-

ed resumes a salary relationship in connection with any service to the Church, the Fund reserves the right to suspend the payment of an annuity.

#### Paragraph 5

Maximum Annuity

The Fund reserves the right to establish a maximum annuity which maximum shall not he less than two thousand dollars.

## TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY ANNUITY BENEFITS

#### Paragraph 6

When Granted

An annuity shall be granted to a member of the Fund upon total and permanent disability occurring after one year of membership in the Fund and after one year's full payments shall have heen made to the Fund by the member and on his account, and before reaching the uninimum retirement age of sixty-five years, provided, that all payments due the Fund hy the member and on his account shall bave been made.

#### Paragraph 7

Certification as to Disability

Total and permanent disability must be certified to by the medical authorities approved by the Fund, who shall have the right to call for proof of continued disability from time to time, but in any case at intervals of not less than one year.

#### Paragraph 8

Amount of the Disability Annuity

The full amount of the disability annuity shall be forty per cent of the average salary of the member during the last five-year period of service rendered under the plan, or if less than five years, then the average salary during such period; but in no case shall the disability annuity exceed ninety per cent of the age retirement annuity already earned and that would be earned by the member on the basis of continuing in service up to age sixty-five, assuming as a salary basis for computing the future service annuity the same average salary.

The Fund shall have the right to limit to \$600 the disability annuities granted at the beginning of the operation of the Fund and increase to the full amounts at a later date as the experience and

the resources may justify.

#### Paragraph 9

Transfer from Disability Annuity to Age Annuity

Should a disability annuitant attain the age of sixty-five years, the annuity shall be converted to an age annuity of which such age annuity as may have been earned prior to disability shall be a part.

Paragraph 10
Recovery from Disability

In the event that the disability be not total and permanent, and the disability annuitant should become able to resume active service, the disability annuity shall be terminated and payments to the Fund by the member and on his account resumed.

#### WIDOW'S ANNUITY BENEFITS

#### Paragraph 11

Annuity to the Widow of a Member

In the event of the death of a member, whose marriage took place before retirement on account of age or disability, there shall be granted to the widow an annuity which shall be one-balf of the age retirement annuity based on his service from his marriage to her to bis death, with a minimum

of \$300 where all payments due the Fund by the member and on his account have been made.

The widow's annuity shall cease upon death or remarriage.

### MINOR CHILDREN'S ANNUITY BENEFITS

Paragraph 12
Annuities to the Minor Children of a Deceased Member

In the event of the death of a member, and provided that all payments due the Fund by the member and on his account shall have been made, there shall be granted annuities of \$100 each to the minor children of the member, payable to the mother or guardian on hehalf of said minor children. Each minor child's annuity shall be payable until such child reaches the age of eighteen years, but at the discretion of the Fund may be continued thereafter as an educational allowance up to the age of twenty-one years, if such child is taking a course in some approved institution of learning.

#### Paragraph 13

Limitation of Annuities to Minor Children

The widow's and the minor children's annuities, in the aggregate, shall not exceed the age retirement annuity which the member was receiving, or to which he would have been entitled.

#### SALARY BASIS Paragraph 14

The salary basis shall be the cash salary and other remuneration received by the minister or officer as such, plus fifteen per cent additional for free use of manse, if any. If the member receives salaries from more than one church, and a manse is furnished, the 15% shall be added to the cash salary paid by the church furnishing the manse.

#### PAYMENTS TO THE ANNUITY FUND

Paragraph 15

Member's Payments

The yearly payment of the member shall be an amount equivalent to two and one-half per cent of the salary basis as defined in the previous paragraph.

#### Paragraph 16 Church's Payment

The yearly payment of the church, or other salary paying organization (referred to herein as the church) shall be an amount equivalent to seven and one-half per cent of the salary basis.

(Note: The church's payments should be regarded as items of current expenses rather than benevolences.)

#### Paragraph 17 How Payable

The payments of the member and of the church are due in monthly installments, in advance, payable direct to the Ministers' Annuity Fund.

#### Paragraph 18

Application of Member's Payments

All payments of each member shall be credited to his individual account and increased by interest additions to be applied towards providing an age annuity; or in the event of prior death, toward providing a widow's annuity or minor children's benefits. In no case shall the member or his widow or children receive less in benefits than the total amount of his payments to the Fund, the balance remaining, if any, after making the specified payments to the widow and minor children, if any, may be paid to the adult living children or to the legal representatives of the member.

#### Paragraph 19

Application of Church's Payments

The church's payments shall be administered on a group basis and applied towards providing the age, disability, widow's and minor children's annuity benefits supplementing the annuity benefits provided out of the member's payments. The church's payments may be used to provide administrative expenses not otherwise provided.

#### Paragraph 20

Return of Partial Payments

If it does not have in its possession, at the close of each fiscal year, all of the payments due the Fund by the member and on his account, the Fund retains the privilege of returning, without interest, the parts of such payments made, to the sources paying them.

(Note: The annuity system is not adjusted so that partial payments can be safely accepted.)

#### PAYMENT OF ANNUITIES

#### Paragraph 21

How Payable

The annuities shall be paid in advance in monthly installments.

#### ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP AND BENEFITS

#### Paragraph 22

Elicibility for Membership

The Ministers' Annuity Fund shall receive as members ministers and missionaries of the Presbyterian Church in the United States who are devoting their lives to the service of the Church.

Ministers of the Church who, with the consent of Preshytery, are serving outside agencies, not classified as of the Preshyterian Church in the United States, are eligible as rendering detached service on a salary basis of \$1,200 or on their actual salary hasis, to be determined by the Fund.

#### Paragraph 23

#### Those Previously Retired

The benefits of the Fund are not available for those who bave retired from active service, nor for the widows and minor children of those who died, prior to April 1, 1938. These are provided from the funds of Ministerial Relief.

#### Paragraph 24

Those in Active Service April 1, 1938

Members in active service on April 1, 1938, will be eligible for the full benefits outlined in the plan, including those based upon service rendered prior to April 1, 1938, if before such date they and their churches formally agree, in writing, to participate in the system and the membership is consummated

by making the payments due the Fund by the member and on his account during the first year of the operation of the Fund.

#### Paragraph 25

Those Who Have Rendered Service Prior to April 1, 1938, but Who Have Not Qualified for Full Participation

Those who have rendered service prior to April 1, 1938, but who have not consummated membership in the system as outlined in Paragraph 24, may become members at any time and receive annuity benefits based upon service rendered thereafter.

#### Paragraph 26

Those Entering Service After April 1, 1938

Those entering service after April 1, 1938, may hecome members as of the date of entering service and receive annuity benefits hased upon service rendered thereafter.

#### Paragraph 27

Prior Service

Service rendered prior to April 1, 1938, to an organization or institution not recognized as being under the control or auspices of the Preshyterian Cburch in the United States shall not be credited to a member in determining years of service as a basis for annuity benefits.

The Fund shall not be obliged to recognize a claim for service rendered the Church prior to April 1, 1938, unless the record of such service shall have been filed with the Fund in writing on or before such date.

#### TERMINATION OF SERVICE

Paragraph 28

Termination of Service

When a member ceases his service in the Presbyterian Church in the United States, his membership in the Fund automatically ceases without further claim against the Fund for henefits of any kind; provided, however, that he shall be entitled to withdraw the entire accumulations of his own payments together with interest at a rate to he determined by the Fund.

## RIGHT TO ALTER OR AMEND

Right to Alter or Amend

The right is reserved to the Fund to alter or amend the Annuity System as they may find to be to the advantage of the Presbyterian Church and the memhers of the Fund, subject to the approval of the General Assembly before such changes become effective.

#### II. The Background of the Plan Ministers' Annuity Fund of the Presbyterian Church in the United States

1. The present method of caring for the aged and disabled ministers and missionaries of our Church is unsatisfactory. The fact has been clearly demonstrated in our own and other Churches that annual offerings, even increased by income from endowment funds, will not adequately care for a growing class of annuitants.

2. The experience of our Church dates back to 1717, during which time scores of various methods have been evolved, tried and found insufficient to solve the one outstanding problem of the Church.

- 3. There is an insistent demand for a just and sure and reasonable method of dealing with the disability or retirement of our ministers. Their coming need is certain; the ability of the Church to meet the need must be made less uncertain. There is a recognition of the business principle that as the Church begins to use up the energies of its servants it should then begin to make adequate provision for their days of disability.
- 4. It is desirable to have the annuity or pension benefits come automatically so that no individuals or committees must sit in judgment on what a retired minister or the dependent members of the household of a deceased minister should receive.
- 5. It is the expressed will of God that those who preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel, and it was God's demand on the children of Israel that those who ministered in spiritual things should he abundantly cared for in material things, and as a

permanent guarantee of this the tithe was given to them and whole cities were set aside for their use.

6. There is a growing recognition by secular interests that when a man has spent his fruitful years in the service of any organization, he has a right to receive adequate and honorable support from that organization when his fruitful years are over, and further, that it is good business to do so. Social justice decrees that he has a moral claim upon the wealth he has helped to huild up for a decent living in old age.

7. There has been an awakening of the conscience of the Church, which, from its very nature, should he the most sensitive and noble of all. One of its cardinal functions is to preach righteousness to all men. In a business way it deals with only one group of men—its own ministers; and yet it has not dealt justly or in accordance with its own preachments with these. This has doubtless heen due more to thoughtless indifference and to the modest reticence of its ministers and not to wilful injustice—but the result to the Church and to the minister has been the same.

A serious obligation is assumed by the Church when it takes a man from civil life and sets him apart for a definite function, which he cannot well combine with other and remunerative activities, nor from which he has either the will, as a rule, or the opportunity to pass into any other occupation. This definite function of the minister requires a long period of general and specialized education. In this it is like the profession of the physician. of the lawyer, and of the engineer, but unlike those professions, the activities of the minister are part of an organism and largely regulated by the authority of the session and Presbytery, and the large financial prizes possible to them are not open to him. Indeed, upon the salaries paid in the Church and prohably that always will he paid, a minister has great difficulty in maintaining and rearing a family, keeping up the deeent style of living demanded by those he serves, taking the part in philanthropic and social activities required by his position, making provision for his own growth hy purchasing hooks, papers, magazines and attending conferences and conventions, educating his children, and at the same time laying up a reasonable provision for his old age and for his family. The efforts of the minister to provide for his own and his family's future is often misunderstood. Some claim his is "more interest in dollars than in souls." Some urge him to buy securities that will yield a high rate of income and thus cause losses that cannot he replaced.

- 9. There should be a fuller recognition of the fact that the minister is the indispensable man, that a great economic waste is caused when an adequate living has not been provided for him, that the Presbyteries, in which inheres the authority, have not given efficient oversight to the minister's salary, that the investment of millions of dollars in church buildings and institutions, however desirable and needed, and the lavish gifts to other organizations either closely or very remotely related to the Kingdom of God, cannot clear the Church of the sin and folly of sending men called of God and the Church, into difficult fields of labor and denying them the things absolutely necessary for their efficiency and the honor of religion.
- 10. The Church should remove the natural solicitude of the minister for the years of his old age and for his dependent ones who may be left by him without adequate protection and the anxiety of the local church, lest it have left to its support alone a minister who is approaching the years of retirement.
- 11. The Church has both the ability and the willingness to provide adequate pensions for its ministers and their families. No Church has ever done this except through such a plan as the one now proposed, which is a contributory, reserve plan. The reserve principal saves the Church from the uncertain and costly cash dishursement plan. It makes a pension system absolutely sound and the pension certain. It is the most economical plan. No other way has yet heen discovered.
- 12. The labor of many years has failed to devise a just and honorable method of dealing with the disability or retirement of our ministers and meet the demands of social justice and our own conscience and secure and hold in service a worthy ministry,

and, according to the solemn promise, to keep them free from "worldly cares and avocations."

- 13. The Church has determined to put the whole service pension plan on a sound, actuarial hasis. The estimate of the probable cost of a pension plan must take into account not only (1) the amount needed to pension those who on account of age or disability should receive pensions at the present time and the effect of mortality rates upon them, hut also (2) the cost due to pensions already partly earned and to he paid in later years—technically known as "accrued liahilities"—and in addition (3) the cost of pensions for those who are later to join the group for which provision is being made. Unless a thorough estimate of future costs is made, sufficient funds made available to meet the same, and the whole plan erected on an actuarial basis, disaster and disappointment are sure to follow. When Mr. Andrew Carnegie wanted to pension a certain class of teachers in American colleges, it was estimated that \$10,000,000 was sufficient. He contributed this sum to "The Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching." It was soon discovered the resources were not sufficient. \$5,000,000 more was added. This addition proved inadequate and the management declared that no static fund of reasonable proportion will provide for a growing class of annuitants. Participation in the henefits of the fund is now conditioned on a contributory relationship of college and teacher.
- 14. Assurance is confirmed by the experience of other Churches that the plan will not only not work a hardship on the pastor of the small church. hut that such men will profit by it more than any others in the Church. The one inglorious mark of our Church's history has been the failure to provide for the men in the small, hard, mission fields, a living that would keep them free from worldly cares and avocations and give a decent support to those who were forced to retire both from labor and from The Church needs to he aroused to the income. seriousness of this situation. It is pressing hard upon us at this very hour. Something must he done. A pension plan cannot solve all the problems of the Church, but we are fully persuaded that when the officers and members of the churches understand

this matter, they will see the need and act immediately. As a matter of justice and good Christian business, the boards of foreign missions increase the financial support of their missionaries as the costs of living increase. Presbyteries, Synods and General Assembly must see that their Home Mission Committees deal as justly as this.

- 15. We cannot expect a pension system to adjust the inequalities of salary, any more than it fair to expect a pension system to provide a remedy for unemployment in the Church. The salary problem will be adjusted when our people have their consciences quickened to the needs of our ministers and missionaries, and the duty to provide more adequate salaries. This will automatically adjust the pension.
- 16. The amount of study, research, conference and observed experience behind the plan proposed bas been far more than appears on the surface-extending over a third of a century. The task of working out a pension scheme is a complicated matter, requiring highly specialized knowledge, and unless some fundamental principles are observed, every such plan must sooner or later come to grief.

#### III. Questions about the Plan

1. What is the Ministers' Annuity Fund of the Presbyterian Church in the United States?

A scientific, contributory plan, in accord with modern pension systems, by which a minister may safeguard the period of old age, with benefits for himself in case of disability, and for his family in the event of his death, and by which the Church may pay its most sacred debt.

#### 2. What is meant by "scientific"?

That the plan is wrought out in accordance with the science of modern pension systems.

#### 3. What is meant by "contributory"?

That the minister himself, according to the best practice in modern pension systems, shall make payments toward his own age annuity.

#### 4. Why ask the minister thus to contribute?

His payment (1) promotes self-respect, since his age annuity is thus in part the result of his own initiative; (2) it expresses his willingness to coperate with his Church and the whole fellowship in safeguarding his life; (3) regular payments hy the member, accumulated at compound interest, are an important element in securing larger benefits for himself and family; (4) it helps bring more system into his personal finances; (5) it safeguards and multiplies his savings.

## 5. What are the benefits of the Ministers' Annuity Fund?

It contemplates a pension for each minister and missionary in the service of the Church at retirement at any time on and after the age of sixty-This pension will be provided by annual payments equivalent to ten per cent of the salary of the minister, missionary, or other servant of the Church. Two and one-balf per cent of this ten per cent is to be paid by the person receiving the salary, and seven and one-balf per cent is to be paid by the church or other organization paying the salary. The minimum pension will be six hundred dollars (except where payments are made on salary less than \$1,200), based upon thirty-five years of service, and the maximum will be two thousand dollars. It is expected that the minimum pensions will be increased as soon as the actuaries announce that it is actuarially safe to do so. In addition, it provides disability benefits and provision is also made for the widows and orphans.

## 6. Who are eligible for membership in the Ministers' Annuity Fund?

All ministers and missionaries of the Presbyterian Church in the United States who are devoting their lives to the service of the Church.

Ministers of the Church who, with the consent of Presbytery, are serving outside agencies, not classified as of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, are eligible as rendering detached service on a salary basis of \$1,200 or on their actual salary hasis, to be determined by the Fund. 7. Why not turn this matter over to Life Insurance Companies?

Life insurance does not cover anything like all the features of this plan. The purpose is not to develop an estate at death, but to provide (1) for days of permanent total disability, (2) for retirement at old age, (3) for the widow in case of death, and (4) for the minor children. We have counselled with a large number of the hest life insurance companies in America, who agree that this is not an insurance proposition, and is a husiness that must he handled by the Church itself. It is in essence a pension plan.

#### A. THE PENSION

8. What is the basic principle of the Ministers' Annuity Fund?

That, in recognition of sacrificial service, it is the duty of the Church to provide an effective life support for the ministers, including those who are retired, in accordance with the teachings of Jesus that "the lahorer is worthy of his hire" and the statement of Paul: "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they who preach the gospel should live of the gospel"; principles which are emhodied in the conviction that the right to an effective support inheres in the gospel ministry. Money did not and cannot huy this right. The price paid is sacrificial service.

What advantage has the new plan over the old?

The great advantage is that the pensions, although modest, are certain, hecause they have a sound economic hasis. Six times during the first four years of the depression it hecame necessary, on account of the decline in receipts, to scale the monthly checks sent to the homes on the roll of Ministerial Relief. The uncertainty which prevails in matters of Ministerial Relief will be substituted by absolute security which is the highest quality a pension system can possess.

10. How is the service pension, under the plan, to be calculated?

One-seventieth of the average annual salary multiplied by the number of years in which the full ten per cent has been paid. 11. What is the service pension under the Ministers' Annuity Fund?

A minimum pension of \$600 based upon thirty-five years of service, and a maximum pension of \$2,000. It is expected that these pensions will be gradually increased above the minimum, and they will be so increased as soon as it is actuarially safe to do so. (See questions 61-63.)

12. In figuring retirement allowances, why was one-seventieth chosen?

It was believed that this percentage would result in a fair allowance. It provides half the average salary received during service after thirty-five years' participation. This percentage is in line with the modern and scientific practice in pension building. A higher percentage would cost the minister and church too much; a lower percentage would provide too small an annuity.

13. Who will receive the minimum or the maximum amount of pension?

Some have thought that a man on a small salary would receive a pension of \$600 and a man on a large salary a pension of \$2,000. This is far from the truth. There are men whose salaries have been double and treble the average salary who will never receive the minimum of \$600 because they have not years of service enough to qualify for it. There are men who have been on \$1,000 salaries who will receive the minimum of \$600 and this will represent more than 60% of their average salary during a period of thirty-five years. The man on a small salary is thus greatly favored by reason of the fact that his payments are small and that he is granted a minimum annuity. We are convinced there will be a leveling up of salaries as there has been in other Churches.

14. Why do salaries differ so largely in the Presbyterian Church in the United States?

Salaries are more nearly equal than they appear. Careful study of the facts for thirty-two years convinces us that no minister in the Church is over-paid and that very few actually receive a salary sufficient to fulfill the solemn promise to provide such a sum for their worldly maintenance

as will keep them "free from worldly cares and avocations." The specific amount of salary will always and justly vary according to the region in which the minister and his family live, the kind of congregation he serves, the nature of the work he performs, the previous salary level enjoyed, the demands on his sympathy and pocket-book, and other considerations.

15. Is there a health examination on admission to membership?

No.

#### 16. Wby not?

Because the pension plan is a group plan, designed to include the entire ministry of the Church, and all the churches.

## 17. What is the widow's pension?

One-half of her hushand's pension, from time of his marriage to her, with a minimum of \$300.

## 18. What is the orphan's pension?

One hundred dollars for each minor orphan up to the age of eighteen or twenty-one, but the total pension paid to the widow and orphans will not exceed the hushand's and father's pension.

## 19. What is meant by disability?

Such as would "totally and permanently" prevent the member from performing the duties of a Preshyterian minister.

## 20. What pension will come to a man who is disabled before the age of sixty-five?

If he is a memher of the Ministers' Annuity Fund and is disabled, he will receive a disability pension that at the heginning of the operation of the pension system will he \$600, but as the plan develops will he forty per cent of the average salary of the five years preceding disability—in no case to he more than 90% of the age retirement pension earned.

21. Why must a minister be a member for one year before he can claim a disability allowance? Since there is no health or medical examination on joining the Fund, some lapse of time is necessary for the protection of the Fund. Furthermore, the providing of disability benefits is expensive; many retirement systems require five or ten years' membership before such allowance is permitted.

22. Must monthly participation payments be made during disability retirement?

No. When a member is retired on account of disability, neither he nor the employing ehurch or agency make monthly payments on his behalf.

23. Why are pensions smaller at the beginning?

Comparatively small pensions must be paid at the commencement of the pension system. The Church designs fairly adequate pensions for the ministers and their families; only in so far as it does this, can it he said to discharge its duty to itself and meet the moral demand of the world. The proposed pensions can scarcely be entitled to this description, although they must be a very considerable help in many cases. But this is a temporary situation, which will remedy itself with increasing rapidity. It is moreover a temporary situation which could not be avoided, and the world, full of imperfections as the world is, recognizes this. old organization cannot start a pension system on an adequate basis at once, without a sum of money so large as to be impossible to obtain. That a Church meets such a situation as well as it can, and that it will ultimately overcome it, satisfics the moral demand.

24. If a memher does not retire at sixty-five, does be continue to pay?

Yes, as long as he holds a salary relationship to the church or employing agency. The additional service and payments will provide for him a much larger annuity when he does retire and make much hetter provision for his family at his death.

25. If a minister were temporarily disabled, could a grant from the funds of Ministerial Relief be expected?

It is a definite principle of the General Assembly not to make regular grants to ministers in active service from the funds of Ministerial Relief lest the churches rely upon the Fund for support; but in serious emergencies grants are made to ministers in active service from the Ministerial Relief Fund.

## 26. Why may not the minister in years to come depend upon the Relief Fund?

One of the chief considerations in the larger plan of the new pension system is that this would lift gradually the load which the churches have heen endeavoring to carry through the cause of Ministerial Relief. If, then, ministers and churches decline to take advantage of these provisions, it is manifestly inequitable to anticipate that the Church will make good their negligence.

## 27. To what use, then, will the Endowment Fund of Ministerial Relief he put?

This will he imperatively needed: (1) to meet emergencies; (2) to supplement provision for disability through the Annuity Fund; (3) to assist the families of ministers who die in the earlier years of their ministry; (4) to care for exceptional cases where men have come to age without heing ahle to take advantage of the Annuity Fund.

## 28. How may larger pensions he seeured?

The hasing of pensions on the salary automatically maintains a ratio which is not affected by the increase or decrease of salaries. To secure larger pensions salaries must he increased. This is a matter entirely in the hand of the local church and the Preshytery. That increases are greatly needed grows more manifest each day. Preshyteries have a solemn duty in this matter. Business men and women must he made to see the sin and folly of withholding an adequate living from the servants of the Church.

# 29. What will a man receive if he pays during a number of years and then withdraws permanently from the service of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S.?

He shall he entitled to receive as a withdrawal value, the entire accumulation of his own payments of two and one-half per cent of the annual

salary, plus interest at a rate to be determined by the Fund.

30. How is the member's account kept? Wholly separate from all other accounts, much

as if it were in a savings bank.

31. What advantage to the member is secured by this method?

The member receives an annuity based upon the accumulations to his credit supplemented by annuity credits from the church funds.

32. What advantage is gained for the soundness of the Fund?

It becomes a group plan to be maintained by the whole group of churches for the whole group of members.

#### B. THE CHURCH AND THE PLAN

33. What is the part of the church?

The church or organization employing the minister or missionary is to pay a sum equivalent to seven and one-half per cent of his total salary each year into the Fund. This seven and one-half per cent is in addition to his salary. Ultimately Ministerial Relief will come out of the "benevolent" siterial Relief will come out of the "benevolent" side, where, as dues, it belongs.

34. What does "the total salary" include?

The cash received from the church or other salary paying organization, plus fifteen per cent of the salary in case a manse is provided.

35. How is this fifteen per cent reckoned?

This will be clear from the following example:

Total....\$2,300

36. Why is a uniform rate of rental used?

The Fund cannot enter into the question of the exact value of the free rental of the manse, with widely variant conditions in different communities.

37. Why should the church cooperate in the Fund?

The Ministers' Annuity Fund offers a privilege which any church may well covet for itself and its pastor. At minimum cost and with maximum security it makes provision for age or disability and protects the family in case of the pastor's death. Its plan has the highest commendation of the foremost actuaries. It is sound, scientific, dependable in its results.

38. Why should the church pay any part of the cost?

The plan that the church shall share in the annual dues of the pastor is on the ground of social iustice and the revealed will of God. The husiness world recognizes that a corporation owes those in its service not only the daily wage, but reasonable provision for the later years. Under this principle the high-minded husiness men of today consider the safeguard for age, not in any sense a charity, but a well-advised factor in annual expenditures. justified on the strongest economic grounds. To use the years of a minister's strength, with meagre compensation, without such provision for age, is indefensible. It has been justly called an "economic crime." The conscience of Christendom has sharply awakened and practically every Church in America is arranging a similar plan.

39. How should the church take action?

Generally, the Session and the Board of Deacons should indorse the Fund, pending the action of the congregation. A congregational meeting should then be called and the united boards present the Plan with a recommendation for its adoption. The following suggested form of resolution should then he adopted and sent to the headquarters of the Fund, 410 Urban Building, Louisville, Ky. The resolution is as follows:

(Name of church or other organization)

hereby agrees to participate in the Ministers' Annuity Fund of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, when put into operation, by paying to the Fund each year, in monthly installments, a sum equivalent to seven and one-half per cent of

the total salary or salaries paid to the minister or ministers rendering service.

Church
Per .....
Date .....

40. Is the church's participation temporary?

No. The church is not entering the Fund merely for the benefit of the man who happens to he its pastor at the moment. It is the office that the Fund seeks to protect. Of course, if the church feils to adopt the plan, it will thus seriously handicap its pastor in his plans for entering the Fund, and will assume the entire responsibility for his disability or age. The individual church, therefore, is adopting the new plan as a part of its permanent program, just as the General Assembly made the Ministers' Annuity Fund a part of the permanent program of the Preshyterian Church in the United States.

41. May the church's percentage be taken from benevolence?

It should not he. If the church takes the seven and one-half per cent from its benevolence, it will he taking the money from the present heneficiaries of the funds of Ministerial Relief who are not eligible for membership in the Fund. This, of course, refers to the churches which contribute to the cause of Ministerial Relief. If a church, which does not contribute to this department, takes the seven and one-half per cent from its benevolence, it will he taking money from the other departments. The seven and one-half per cent is in addition to the churches' henevolent contribution to Ministerial Relief. As reserves grow Ministerial Relief will come out of the hudget.

42. Will the church always earry this double payment to this cause?

No. Eventually all that any church will pay will be the sum equal to seven and one-half per cent of the minister's salary payahle to the Annuity Fund. For the present, however, and for some years to come, the Department of Ministerial Relief will need a share of the henevolent contributions of the churches in order to care for those ministers or widows and orphans who are now receiving aid from this department and for those not eligihle to participate in the henefits of the Fund, and who must, therefore, apply to this department in their time of need. The number of these will grow less and less as the Fund hecomes, through the years, more and more effective, so that eventually those who will need the aid of the Relief Department can be cared for out of the proceeds of the Endowment Fund of Ministerial Relief.

43. How shall the church include the seven and one-half per cent in its financial hudget?

The seven and one-half per cent should be placed in the congregational expense hudget of the local church along with such items as salaries, light and heat, water, etc.

44. When should the church place the seven and one-half per cent in its hudget?

It cannot definitely he stated when the Fund will he initiated, hecause there is no way of knowing when all the conditions will he fulfilled. We would advise placing the seven and one-half per cent in the Budget of the local church April 1, 1938.

45. When will the payments hegin?

These payments by the pastor and the church will begin when the Plan is declared operative.

46. How should the seven and one-half per cent be paid?

In monthly installments, in advance, on the first day of each month.

47. How will the seven and one-half per cent he computed, when there are several organizations contributing to the salary of the pastor or missionary?

Each organization will pay seven and one-half per cent of an amount equivalent to that part of the salary which it pays.

48. May the salary basis be lower than \$1,200?

The Ministers' Annuity Fund is so constructed that a minimum salary hasis of \$1,200 for the pay-

ment of dnes to the Fund is required in order to attain the minimum age annuity of \$600 for 35 years of service. However, when the salary hasis is less than \$1,200, and the memher elects to pay dues on such lower salary basis, such election is permissible with the understanding that the minimum retirement annuity benefits for 35 years of service, shall be limited to 50% of the average salary basis, during such memhership in the Fund, with proportional reductions for lesser periods of service.

49. What is the maximum pension?

The maximum pension, under the new plan, is \$2,000. No pension will be more than \$600 until the payments of dues provides accumulations sufficient to increase this amount.

50. Why, then, should a church, paying a large salary, go in, since its pastor may not receive more than a \$2,000 pension?

It must be remembered that this Ministers' Annuity Fund operates on the group system and that the payments of each organization and of every minister serve to support the payments of other organizations and ministers. A large church will, therefore, be helping to carry the load, and by its payments, and those of its minister, make sure that the small-salaried minister will receive at least the minimum pension.

51. If a pastor will not go into the plan, is the church expected to enter?

Yes, if its vision is so much clearer than its pastor's, that it sees the value of the Fund and proposes to belp by sending its regular payments of seven and one-balf per cent.

52. If a church should cease payments, what then?

It will thereby penalize its pastor and force bim to arrange for the payment of the seven and one-balf per cent in some other way, or else lose credit for the years in which the full ten per cent has not been paid in for him.

53. If a church will not go into this plan, what then?

63. What is "prior service"?

It is service rendered before the date of the inauguration of the new plan.

64. Does the plan provide for credit for all this prior service?

No, it does not because it cannot. The amount required to enable the Church to assume such responsibility is so great that it would be an impossible sum to raise.

What credit will a man receive for his prior service?

He will receive a prior service pension which will assure him the minimum of \$600, provided he enters the new plan within the first year of its operation, and has rendered the required years of service. He will he entitled to one-seventieth of a hypothetical salary of \$1,200 for each year of service already rendered, or so much of this as is needed to provide the minimum pension.

66. How will prior pension service be calculated?

The minister in service when the plan starts, upon reaching the age of sixty-five, will receive the amount of future service pension provided by the payments made by himself and his church. If this sum is less than \$600 for thirty-five years of service, a sufficient amount to bring his pension to \$600 per year will be added in recognition of his prior service. Thus every such minister will share in the \$3,000,000 fund to he raised to provide for accrued liabilities for prior service to the Church.

67. Will a minister whose future service pension has become \$600 or over receive anything on account of prior service?

No, he will not, since his future service pension is up to or greater than the minimum.

68. Is a minister in active service and aged sixty-five or over when the Fund is started eligible for membership?

Yes, and would make his two and one-half per cent payments until retirement. He simply could not afford not to come into the plan on account of the provisions for minimum retirement annuities.

## D. THE THREE MILLION DOLLAR FUND

69. What is the \$3,000,000 Fund?

It is a Fund which the General Assembly directed be raised in 1930, and now asks that it he completed in the year 1938.

70. For what will it he used?

It will be used to meet the accrued liabilities for the prior service of the ministers and missionaries.

71. Why is such a sum needed?

The Church reached its present financial situation by failing to balance its pension obligations and receipts and allowing its pension debts to accumulate. Hence, today we must pay obligations for services rendered to us and to our fathers or grandfathers, or to pass them on to our children and grandchildren. We are hopelessly embarrassed under our present relief plans and must change our system.

72. Is this an additional endowment of three million dollars?

The three million dollars needed to launch the Ministers' Annuity Fund is in no sense an endowment. Within a term of years every dollar of this will have heen paid out in pension benefits. It is to help meet the accrued liabilities for service of ministers rendered prior to the inauguration of the plan. It will he used in meeting the minimum retirement amount guaranteed to every minister alike. All of the ministers of the Church will share on the same hasis in its henefits.

73. Will other large sums be needed in the future?

No. It is necessary to provide now, but only once for all, a fund that will perform the function, at least in part, of what would have heen the accumulated fund on hand if this plan had heen in force during the past years of service of the men now in the ministry. The mere fact that we have heen derelict in making this provision earlier does not lessen our obligation to provide for these faithful servants of the Church as well as for those who are just enlisting in the service. They have borne the Church's burden through all those years, and

that with no brightening hope for the future until now. This view of the case, the correctness of which seems too obvious for discussion, has heen accepted in all the other Church pension plans. This sum of money, together with the current annual payments, will be handled, under the principles relating to insurance companies, with every protection as to safety, correct actuarial practice and economic administration.

## 74. Why must accrued liabilities be met?

Disregard of the accrued liabilities has wrecked many pension systems. If the requisite amount can he found, all will he well; hut when a system assumes that the millions have been found, it starts with a vast deficit, and inevitably ends in hopeless hankruptcy. For a few years, like the old-time assessment insurance companies, there may be money in the treasury to pay the pensions as they fall due, hut liabilities are piling up faster than assets, and the time, not long delayed, is sure to come when the treasury will he empty, and a long roll of pensioners will he looking for pensions that will never he forthcoming; and the memhers in active service will have to he informed that the money provided for their pensions has been used up in paying the pensions of their older hrethren. Some systems, seeing this situation approaching, hy drastic measures reconstructed their pension funds and protected the pensioners. The Episcopal Church forestalled the emergency and today is an outstanding example of wise and scientific handling of these important responsibilities. Many other Churches have erected similar plans with most gratifying results.

## 75. Who will be benefited by this Fund?

The older men will chiefly henefit by this three million dollar fund. The younger men, with the help of the Church, will provide their own pensions. But the men over fifty will receive a large fraction of this fund. The nearer a man is to sixty-five the more he will receive of it; the nearer he is to sixty-five, the less he himself will pay and the larger the sum which must be set aside to his credit from this accrued liability fund.

#### 76. Will all be treated alike?

It will be of interest to each man to realize that he is being treated just as generously as any other man who cooperates in this plan. No man will receive from the accrued liability fund a larger pension than \$600. There have been a few who supposed that out of this three million dollar fund some men would receive \$600 and other men as much as \$2,000. No man will receive a pension in excess of \$600 when the whole of his pension comes out of this accrued liability fund.

## 77. Will such a plan be accepted by all the ministers and churches?

We believe it will. In twenty other Churches in America each principle has been approved in public discussion and the plan has won its way on account of its essential soundness and reasonableness and the greater disadvantages of other methods suggested.

## 78. When is it proposed to raise the fund?

The year 1938 has been set aside by the General Assembly as a time for securing the money needed to cover the accrued liabilities for prior service of our ministers.

## 79. What action was taken by the General Assembly in session at Charlottesville, Va., in May, 1930?

The General Assembly, recognizing the inherent right of those called away from the sources of material gain to the spiritual ministries of the Church, and recognizing the sacred nature of the promise of the Church of a support which will keep them "free from worldly cares and avocations," herehy restates its conviction that no duty is more sacred nor privilege higher than that of providing its ministers and missionaries with support that shall continue during the period of inactivity caused hy disability or age, and of proper care of the widows and minor children of those who have died.

## 80. What was the action of the General Assembly in session at Augusta, Georgia, in May, 1936?

The Assembly directed the Executive Committee of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief "to reveal to the Church the justice of the claims of the ministers and missionaries who have left all sources of material gain to serve the Church and who are now forced, on account of age or disability, to retire, or who have died leaving dependent families," and

"To lead the Church to complete the establishment of the Ministers' Annuity Fund in the year 1937."

"The year 1937 was designated as the time to complete the raising of the accrued Liability Fund of \$3,000,000 in order that the Ministers' Annuity Fund may be established." To this end the Assembly urged:

"Every Synod, Presbytery, church and organization, and all ministers, missionaries, and members to give their prayerful, active and cordial assistance to the completion of this task. And further urges the organization of the men, women, and children of the Church to keep this important cause actively before the members."

## 81. Is the Church in earnest about paying this debt?

Yes, the Assembly in 1932 urged: "That efforts be made to see that, before the many big campaigns, which are now being organized to sweep over the country, make their usually effective approach to Presbyterians, every member of the Church has an opportunity to have some part in this work, appealing to our members to be just in making provision for the payment of the debt we owe those who have served long and well, hefore they are generous to the many appeals which will undouhtedly be made when the financial situation clears."

An adventure in Faith and Justice—begun in Prayer, continued in Prayer, this task will be combleted in Prayer

Ministers' Annuity Fund Presbyterian Church in the United States Henry H. Sweets, Secretary 410 Urhan Building, Louisville, Ky.

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up against the future. They ought not to be compelled to do so. In the nature of the case the ministry can never be and ought never to be a money-

making profession.

We believe God never meant the place of a minister to be ordinarily one of ample means or elegant luxury: hut he does mean that no warring bishop should be entangled in affairs of this life; and to prevent this, it is more important than any other one thing to assure every servant of God that whatever self-denial may be incident to the days of his actual and active labor, when the day of work is over he shall not suffer want for the necessities of life, or, if prematurely called hence, shall not leave a wife and children to be cast on the charity of the very church he has self-denyingly served.

It is an insult to call this charity: it is in the very highest sense a debt, and should be so honored as an imperative obligation owed to those who use their days of strength in the service of our Lord; and no blessing can be expected on a church which allows the veteran soldier of Christ to go down to his grave like an inmate of a poor-house, or a dependent on charity, looking for a miserable pittance bestowed as on a beggar, for the bare subsistence of life.

The statement above was made in a report to the Synod of Pennsylvania (and unanimously adopted by it). It was written by Dr. Arthur T. Pierson. who during his life was one of the recognized authorities on the Foreign Mission work of the churcheditor of the "Missionary Review of the World" and author of many appealing books on Missions.

The Presbyterian Church in the United States recognizes this obligation which is so clearly set forth by Paul in I Corinthians 9: 1-14. The methods tried in all the great Churches of America during the past two centuries have failed. The plan now adopted of a contributory, reserve annuity plan is safe, sane, economical and Christian in its method, spirit and purpose. Write for information about the Ministers' Annuity Fund.

The Executive Committee of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, Incorporated. Henry H. Sweets, Secretary, 410 Urban Building, 122 South Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

## The Foremost Claim

By Rev. ARTHUR T. PIERSON, D. D. A Foremost Advocate of Foreign Missions

There is a singular unity in the work of the Presbyterian Church not always apprehended even hy her members. The manifoldness of that benevolent work all finds a centre of revolution in the ministry. \* \* \* If the aged servants of God, those prematurely disabled, or the families of those who have died in the work, are left to want and destitution, our whole system is wretchedly and inexcusably defective.

The Hebrew economy was in advance of anything that has thus far characterized the Christian Church. The Levites, set apart to the service of the sanctuary, were provided for on a magnificent scale. Having no proper inheritance among the Children of Israel, they nevertheless were assured from any possible want from eradic to grave, and their widows and orphans after them. The ahundant titbes and offerings, the levitical cities and their suburbs, and the sacredness of their calling, assured to all those who stood before the Lord to minister to him, the most ample, continuous, and unfailing supply of all their wants.

FOR OURSELVES WE REGARD THE BOARD OF BE-LIEF AS FOREMOST IN ITS CLAIM ON THE CHURCHES. A candidate for the ministry in his vigor may manage so as to supplement parental aid by the work of his own hands, or, even without any outside heln. carry on his studies, and his youthful energy may hear the strain. The minister, in the prime of his powers, may be able to supplement a small salary by the work of his brawn or brain, or by rigid economy make a little suffice. But when old age or premature decay of his powers disables him from work with mind or muscle, who shall then care for him but the church he has served? We honestly helieve that today nothing hinders young men of promise from entering the ministry more frequently than the prospect of no provision for old age, or a family left in premature dependence without a head! A business man out of his business success gathers a provision against these exigencies. But most ministers, by far the majority, have barely enough to support their families, and cannot lay

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# A Timely Message

As members of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, have we fully comprehended God's Plan for His Church?

Are we giving to our Church duties and responsibilities the clear thought and careful planning we give to our own personal business?

Do we truly recognize the place and importance of this organization of which Jesus said, "I will build My Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it?"

The Church is the one institution called into being by God: to effectively house His Spirit, to unite His followers, to give its empowered, united life and thought and energy to spiritual ministries, and to impart to men the things by which they may live abundantly.

The Church serves man in his deepest needs; seeks to reach every member of the family, uniting them in this "household of faith;" makes clear the pian of God; imparts insight and vision, ideal and dynamic; and develops the spirit of love and the attitude of service which alone can unite and save the world.

Unless we have a comprehensive knowledge of the basis of the Church's plan and program as given by God we cannot understand the real purpose of the efforts to erect the Ministers' Annuity Fund.

### God's Plan

God has a plan for every man. There is some part of the world's work for each one to do and if one does not do it, it may go forever undone.

God calls all men everywhere to reeognize his ownership of all things and to acknowledge His authority over all people.

God has a plan for His Church—clearly outlined in the Old Testament, spiritually interpreted in the New.

His reign is to be extended through persons—by personal relations to God and to man. God said, "I drew them unto Me by the cords of a man." He established a "division of labor." Some are called away from the sources of material gain to provide information, inspiration and service in spiritual things—the Levite under the Old Testament, the Minister under the New.

God made clear provision for the support of both groups. The Levite and the minister, called away from material things to minister in spiritual things, to bless the people from God, was to have "no part nor inheritance with his brethren—the Lord is his inheritance." Separated to the service of God, they were taught to depend on Him. He sends no one into warfare at his own charges.

To the other eleven tribes God gave the land, the flocks and the herds. No, He did

not give them—the ultimate ownership of all is in God. Men are stewards or trustees. All the silver and the gold and the cattle upon a thousand hills belong to Him. "We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out." So Paul could ask, "What hast thou that thou didst not receive?"

As a token of their loyalty and fealty to the Supreme Owner, the eleven tribes were commanded to bring into God's house a tithe of all their increase besides multiplied gifts and offerings. Unto the Levites were "given all the tithe in Israel for an inheritance in return for the service which they serve." (Numbers 18:21). When His people failed to make this provision for those called away from the sources of material gain, strict reproof was given. The prophet Malachi rebuked:

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye say, wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse, for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation."

This is followed by an awakening, appealing promise:

"Bring ye the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

God's plan of support for His ministers has not been changed. Whether we recognize the law of the tithe as binding or not, surely if the Jew, living in the twilight of the old covenant, was required to pay onetenth of his income for the support of those who ministered in spiritual things, the Christian, living in the noon-day light of the gospel of Christ, should not give less.

Christ ordained that His ministers were to expect support from the people on the ground that

"the laborer is worthy of his hire."

God's plan for a division of labor has not been changed. With clearest logic the Apostle Paul shows in I Corinthians 9: 1-14 the responsibility of the minister to give his life to spiritual ministries and of the people to supply his temporal needs.

"Even so hath the Lord ordained that they who preach the gospel shall live of the gospel."

The Presbyterian Church promises its ministers a "living" sufficient to keep them "free from worldly cares and avocations."

## Costly Neglect

If there ever was a time when the minister should be made free to develop his personality and to give all his thought and time and energy to his peculiar work, it is today. Other organizations are declaring that possibly more than eighty-five per cent of their efficiency depends on their personnel and are spending hundreds of thousands of dollars to develop their powers and personalities and broaden their horizons. Regular increase of salary is given to the public school teachers to help them to larger efficiency, and the ministers must seek to inform, inspire and serve all these groups.

The Church has often called its ministers and missionaries away from the sources of material gain, sent them (burdened with debt for their education) into difficult fields—providing them "a living"—on which they cannot live and pay their debts, buy their tools such as books, magazines and papers, go to meetings of Church courts and conferences, where they may come in touch with live thoughts of live men and women, set an example of liberality to the flock, keep up a home of hospitality, educate the children, live in a manner required by the social eustoms of church and community, and answer the many calls for financial assistance that come to the minister alone.

Having left many of its ministers and missionaries "to make brick without straw," to give much of their time and energy to keeping free from the disgrace of failure to pay their debts and to avoid being classed with him "who provideth not for his own"—some criticise, others complain that the minister has more than the "average" man in the community.

No wonder that some ministers are "whipped"; that they hesitate to speak out; that they are not wholly efficient; that they cannot, under such circumstances, meet all the demands on a man who must be a student, a helpful and unhurried friend, a comforter of the sorrowing, a shepherd of the hungry-hearted and the wayward, a counsellor of the worldly-minded, a deliverer of vital messages suited to his own generation and an inspirer of the spirit that is within men—whose chief business is to keep himself and his people "alive unto God."

Yes, I know, "he ought to trust God." And he does! But God trusts His Church and calls us to know and to follow His own wise plan!

As Christ sent forth those who should represent Him, He said, "He that receiveth you receiveth Me, and he that receiveth Me receiveth Him that sent Me." Have we exalted the minister in our thought and prayer and cooperation and support as we should?

Many churches refuse to call a minister over forty years of age because they fear they may have an old minister on their hands. Thus wisdom gained through rich experience is scrapped.

Many men are held too long in fields for which they are not best qualified. Older men who ought to retire, because of failing strength, hold on to a church because they have nothing on which they may live. Thus both the work and the man suffer.

Frequently the Church has used up the energies of its servants and, when they have grown old and feeble or disabled by accident or disease, has forgotten them. Thus reproach is brought upon the people of God.

These quiet, disabled, retired servants may easily be overlooked and so, once and again, God reminded Israel, occupied with their busy conflicts and missionary labors, "Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite as long as thou livest upon the land."

#### Efforts to Solve the Problem

For 220 years—since 1717—the Presbyterian Church in America has recognized the sacred, binding obligation placed by God upon the Church to care for its faithful worn-out servants.

And yet we have not met their needs nor paid the debt we have assumed. There are now on the Roll of Ministerial Relief 553 homes of faithful, self-denying ministers and missionaries (with many little, fatherless children) who have served our own Church a total of 16,218 years—or an average term of service of 29½ years.

The largest amount sent to any of these homes has been \$38 a month, from which the expenses of the family must be met. The average amount sent to the 553 homes is \$234.32 a year, or 64 cents per day for a family.

During the first four years of the depression it became necessary six times to scale the small monthly checks sent to our ministers' homes. The work must be put on a more dependable, Christian, business-like basis.

#### A Solution Found

After careful and prayerful study, securing the services of competent actuaries, and conferring with the other Churches in America, the General Assembly in 1924 decided to put this work on a contributory, reserve, pension basis—the Ministers' Annuity Fund.

The Ministers' Annuity Fund is a safe, sane, economical, dependable, Christian plan

worked out by competent actuaries, carefully studied for twenty-five years, endorsed by leading life insurance officials, tried out by the Protestant Episcopal Church for twenty years, adopted by twenty other Churches in America, and has abundantly proved its efficiency and value both to the Church and to its servants.

The President of the Prudential Insurance Company, Dr. Edward D. Duffield, a Presbyterian elder, whose actuaries approved our plan, wrote:

"I cannot think that it is necessary to more than present this cause to obtain a favorable response."

## Initial Fund Needed

The Ministers' Annuity Fund will be selfperpetuating when once it gets into full operation. Soon its reserves from the payment of "dues" and its pension outgo will balance each other. Had our fathers or our fathers' fathers established such a plan, all would be running smoothly. But no reserves have been accumulated for those who have served long and are now well along in years.

Thus at the outset there is an accrued liability for prior service of the Church against the plan. This must be met in part to overcome the long delay of the Church in establishing a system of pension protection. There is needed for our Plan a fund of \$3,000,000 to meet this claim. This is in no sense an endowment fund. Both principal and interest will be used to show the appreciation of the Church for the long and faithful service of its ministers and

missionaries—than whom no other Church has an abler, more devoted and more self-sacrificing group of men—and to help the Church meet a solemn, serious and binding obligation, which in the sight of God and man it cannot evade.

This \$3,000,000 accrued liability fund will cover in part the service already rendered by the ministers and missionaries of the Church. It is to be raised ONCE FOR ALL. The whole sum will be expended over a period of thirty-five years. Service under the Plan will be covered by the payment by the minister of 2½ per eent of the salary received and by the church of an amount equal to 7½ per eent of the salary paid. In this way ultimately "Ministerial Relief" will come out of the "Benevolent" side of the budget and be put on the "Church Expense" side where it belongs.

## Part of a Larger Plan

The establishment of the Ministers' Annuity Fund has been declared by Ad Interim Committees appointed by the Assembly to be basic to the solution of three great problems which now press hard on the Church: (1) the securing of a constructive living for the ministers of Christ and our Church, (2) the rendering it possible to secure needed changes of pastorates, and (3) the retirement of ministers both at home and on the foreign mission fields who on account of age or disability are no longer able to perform the heavy work of the pastorate.

The establishment of the Plan will help make it possible:

## For the Group of Ministers to:

- (1) Maintain the highest efficiency
- (2) Be placed in fields of service for which they are best suited
- (3) Move to other fields of service when wise to do so
- (4) Give more uninterrupted time and all of their energies to the spiritual ministries to which they have been called by the Spirit of God and the Church

## For the Group of Churches to:

- (1) Pay the Church's sacred debt in a more adequate and Christian way
- (2) Reveal the proper sense of social justice
- (3) Break down the "dead-line" in the ministry
- (4) Retire men no longer able to earry the heavy work of the service, and
- (5) Regard, direct, and inspire its whole group of ministers and missionaries

## An Urgent Call to Action

The General Assembly on May 24, 1937, adopted the report of its Standing Committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief: "The time now being ripe for the completion of the Church's unfinished task of setting in operation the Ministers' Annuity Fund, we recommend that, as far as possible, the way be cleared for the early and urgent prosecution of this objective in every Church of this Assembly."

On May 25, 1937, on the recommendation of its Standing Committee on Stewardship and Finance, the Assembly adopted this resolution: "That with all possible emphasis the Assembly again call upon the churches to bring to completion during THIS CHURCH YEAR the Ministers' Annuity Fund, which, when established, will go a long way toward solving many of the most difficult problems in our Church."

The General Assembly's Committee on Stewardship and Finance on December 8. 1937, adopted this resolution: "The Stewardship and Finance Committee of the General Assembly, in regular session at Atlanta. December 8, 1937, calls particular attention of each church to the unfinished task of the Church, which is the Ministers' Annuity Plan. After many years delay, this was given the right-of-way during the present church year by the General Assembly. urge the individual churches to complete the raising of their quota of the \$3,000,000 accrued liability, this fiscal year, so that the Annuity Plan can be put into full operation on April 1, 1938."

Our ministers and missionaries cannot look to the Social Security Act for relief. The U. S. Government in this Act has followed its traditional attitude of not taxing the Church or the salary of the minister. Exemption from the tax excludes the servants of the Church from the benefits of the pension. Our Church must care for our own.

#### WHAT PRICE DELAY!

The Ministers' Annuity Fund should be opened April 1, 1938. It awaits the completion of the \$3,000,000 accrued liability fund.

For eleven long years it has waited for its chance. This sum is to be raised once for all. It will enable the Church to permanently solve many of the problems that have pressed hard upon it since the year 1717.

Presbyterians will give to all kinds of causes. At this time General Assembly, Synod and Presbytery call on every Presbyterian, if necessary, to pull in some of these scattering gifts and concentrate on the Ministers' Annuity Fund, which will enable our Church more adequately and honestly to care for our own.

Further delay will greatly increase the cost of the campaign. Cumulative forces now at work may not be available. Esprit de corps will vanish. The sense of unity, loyalty and victory will be lost. Courage and hope may be replaced by a sense of defeat. What price delay!

Forward cash and pledges to the Louisville office—payable to Wm. H. Hopper, Treasurer.

MINISTERS' ANNUITY FUND Presbyterian Church in the United States HENRY H. SWEETS, Secretary 410 Urban Building, Louisville, Ky. new plan but that the laity would be very cool toward it because of the increased expense to the local church. He expressed great surprise when he learned that the laity during similar campaigns in sister churches had been responsible for the success of the campaigns. It may not be out of place to set forth here one of the illustrations which helped to change the attitude of

the members of this particular Board.

In the early days of the campaign to establish a reserve pension system in a sister denomination a speaker was presenting the pension plan to a presbytery in the Middle West. For most of the afternoon questions had been asked and answered. Then began a series of doleful and dire prophecies by the ministerial members of presbytery, who protested that their churches were too poor to add any additional expense to their annual budgets. All agreed that the plan was sound and workable, if-.. After six or seven ministers had gravely sounded a note of warning, a young elder rose in the rear of the church and upon being recognized said: "I have listened to these preachers who do not want to give their churches a chance to make this plan a success and who evidently do not realize how much their churches love them. If this presbytery will appoint five more laymen to work with me we will guarantee to bring every church into the pension plan and the ministers will not need to worry." It is only necessary to add that that young elder kept his promise and that thousands of others like him paid tribute to the ministry of that church in triumphantly carrying the campaign through to a successful issue. In that particular denomination 96% of eligible workers are now protected, and the judicatories of the church have taken appropriate action to assure protection for every one of the ministerial and missionary group who desires such protection.

The attitude of the ministry will determine the success of the campaign for the operation of the Ministers' Annuity Fund. If a minister is eager for the completion of the Annuity Fund, his church will rally to its support. If he is lukewarm, unduly timid, or wise beyond his generation, his church will follow his leading. It is a rare church that will withhold its support in

this campaign if the pastor of the church is heart and soul in approval of this church-wide movement. The dignity of the ministry is at stake. If we are content with an outworn system, which despite deliverances of general assemblies and synods cannot well be distinguished from a dole for need, then the desire of the church to see justice done to her ministry will be denied. But if we catch the ideal which the church is striving to realize, then we may look to days of richer and sweeter service down the future.

Even after a successful campaign for the adoption of a contributory pension system in the program of a denomination; even though the vast majority of churches and ministers are cooperating and the success of the venture is assured, there still arise ministers who refuse to believe in the generosity of their people and in their capacity to absorb a new expense into the budget. And in this assumption by the minister to protect his church from new financial burdens and prevent the church from sharing in a great church-wide movement there is an element of real tragedy. A church will enter the Ministers' Annuity Fund not merely for the protection of the present incumbent of the pulpit but for the whole group of ministers who shall successively serve that church in the years to come. The lack of vision of the leader who holds his church out of the campaign will inevitably be reflected in the church's attitude toward the Fund to the disadvantage of the minister who follows and who desires protection. The history of such campaigns in other denominations is full of such instances, followed by a late, sometimes too late, repentance.

One of the great values of the campaign will be the developing of leadership of the laity. In every church will be uncovered a wealth of power and influence undiscovered in any other campaign in the life of the church. Laymen who have never sought a place of influence in the work of the church or have modestly given place to other members of the local organization will discover new enthusiasm and develop unrecognized powers and abilities for organization under the stimulus of this church-wide awakening. For here, suddenly, is the great op-

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# A RETIREMENT PLAN FOR LAY EMPLOYEES

I appreciate this opportunity of discussing with you the important question of a Retirement Plan for the Lay Employees of the Church. This problem has many confusing and complex angles and I am afraid that a full and detailed discussion would take much more time than is available; and would confuse the main points which I think you ought to consider. I intend, therefore, to speak along general lines, after which, if you wish, I shall be glad to answer questions insofar as I am able.

The problem is not essentially a new one. The Church has always had a moral responsibility towards its employees in respect to their old age. Lately, however, this whole question has been accentuated by the fact that the Social Security Act, in its present form, excludes certain classes of employees,—or to put it perhaps more accurately, exempts certain types of organizations from the mandatory requirement to pay taxes under the Act. The reasons back of this exemption are complex, somewhat intangible, and not altogether apparent to some who have not had an opportunity to observe carefully the course of this legislation. In my opinion, however, the particular exemption clause with which we are concerned is, on the whole, a wise one and I hardly think that it is likely to be changed, although I should suppose that some of the other features of the Act may very probably be altered as years go on.

The exact wording of the exemption clause which concerns the Church reads as follows:

"Service performed in the employ of a corporation, community chest, fund, or foundation organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual."

Although in necessarily technical language, it is clear that churches and Church organizations are exempt.

There are thousands of laymen and laywomen who are employed by the Church, in order that her work may go forward effectively. At a guess, I should say that there are possibly three or four times as many as there are clergymen. Their salaries are necessarily on a modest basis and not enough for the employee to lay much aside for the future. Even if that were not the case, the moral obligation of the Church would be no different. As far back as 1916, General Convention, in establishing The Church Pension Fund for the protection of the clergy, adopted the principle that pensions should be paid as a matter of right and not on the basis of charity. General Convention expressed its mind again last Fall in respect to the lay employees of the Church, by adopting resolutions urging all units of the Church to take steps for their future protection. It also appointed a Joint Committee on Social Insurance for Lay Employees of the Church to study ways and means and to advise the Church. I will not take your time to read the resolutions which can be found in the Journal.

Here is the general problem, stated in broad terms: The Church employs thousands of individuals. So far as their future retirement is concerned, the clergy are provided for through the medium of The Church Pension Fund, which the Church has supported in such an extraordinary manner for the last twenty-one years. But there has been no definite plan to make any regular provision for the thousands of lay employees, without whose assistance the manifold activities of the Church could not be carried on. Assuming, as we must, that the Church now recognizes its moral responsibility towards these lay employees, we come to the question of method.

I imagine that the organizations of the Church which have heretofore been faced with this problem have, generally speaking, carried their employees, possibly on a reduced salary, well beyond the age when, for the best interests of the work, their places should have been taken by younger people; or have retired them on some small bounty to be paid out of the current budget; or have simply done nothing about it at all. Very few have adopted any regular plan which could be counted on with certainty. From the point of view of the Church, the whole thing has been unsatisfactory; and from the point of view of the employees, it has meant a precarious and uncertain future. Even in respect to the clergy themselves, the only provisions, before The Church Pension Fund came into being, were various charitable Funds, the largest of which was the General Clergy Relief Fund with an average Age Allowance of only \$262 a year. That situation has now been corrected and we have a comprehensive pension system for the clergy,—but not so for the lay employees.

Aside from the question of moral responsibility, upon which we all agree, there is also a very practical consideration. Under the Social Security Act, individuals in secular employment are at least assured of some measure of support in old age, modest though it may

for their support from the other. Read I Corinthians 9: 1-14. In theory the Presbyterian Church has acknowledged this plan of God, but in practice we have not faithfully followed it.

When Israel forgot God and His servants, God permitted "depressions" and "repressions" to overwhelm them. God said, "Ye have robbed Me"—"in tithes and offerings." Some today have become selfish and self-seeking—have lost themselves in selfish "money-making," and have forgotten the Owner.

Give a tithe, and add gifts and offerings, to complete the Unfinished Business of our Church, as the General Assembly urges that we make it "our major emphasis" to complete this task as soon as possible.

Hear the call of the Assembly "that each member in gratitude for God's blessing and mercy, in faith in His promises, set apart in sacred consecration at least a tenth of all income as an acknowledgment of the Divine Sovereignty."

Read the leaflets "Make God Your Banker," "A Price for Everything," and "The Tithe, the Ministers' Annuity Fund, and You and Your Church." Order these and copies of the "tithe pledge card" and "envelope" from the Louisville office.

For information, address Henry H. Sweets, Secretary, 410 Urban Building, Louisville, Kentucky.

# God's Plan for His Church

Behind all the phenomena of life there is a purposeful plan — recognized more clearly as the bounds of knowledge are pushed back

God did not establish His Church and leave its life and service to chance—a pattern is given in the Book. Some have evidently overlooked a primary and fundamental provision—a division of labor.

One group was called to minister in spiritual things—to inform, to inspire, to serve and to unite the people to God—to make Him known on earth—the Priest and Levite under the Old Testament, the Minister under the New.

To another group was committed, as trustees, the land and the flocks and the herds—accompanied by the clear teaching that all belonged to God and that they were accountable to Him for the use of their possessions. To show their fealty to the Owner they were required to bring one-tenth of all their increase, besides gifts and offerings, into God's house to support those who ministered in spiritual things.

Spiritual service exclusively was required of the one—tithes and offerings

training to confirm or that what they have had in the way of religious education needs correction rather than confirmation. This may be true, but I am speaking of the young people who have had at home and in their home church a Christian training which has led them into the great historic faith of the Church about God and Jesus Christ and the meaning and destiny of life. We want the schools and colleges to support and carry forward this training, not to decry and destroy it. The teacher takes the place of the parent and the pastor in the religious faith and life of the student, and must do his work in the same spirit and with the same responsibility.

In a real sense the large educational function of the Church in the earlier years of our history has now been taken over by the school. Among the old clippings to which I referred a moment ago I found an editorial from the New York Sun of September 28, 1899, entitled "The Church as the American School," quoting an address just given by President Eliot of Harvard before the International Congregational Council in Boston, in which he described the place which the Church had filled in the past as the great educational force in the life of our nation. "It was a great thing," said he, "to have an educated man stand up before the people on Sundays and set forth to them orally the uplifting themes of righteousness, justice, mercy and love; it was a great thing that lay members of the churches could exhort and pray at the weekly prayer meetings. The ministers dealt with secular as well as with spiritual themes. The Sabbath was a day which lifted the New England people out of their work day routine to the contemplation of the highest themes and to the discussion of questions which went to the very roots of individual conduct and social aspiration." Mr. Dana had died in 1897, so some other hand added the comment of the Sun: "The chief educating forces in our American Society, it is not too much to say, have been exerted by the pulpit and the prayer meeting. They were the first great training school of the people in large subjects of thought. The village church was the center of social life, its pulpit furnished the intellectual stimulus. Apart from the purely spiritual and religious functions, the prayer meeting went far to develop confidence, coherence and facility in public speaking. Men who afterward acquired fame as public speakers first learned to express their thoughts on profound subjects. Go over the list for one hundred years, including many men now living, and you will find that it is long. The controlling, dominant influences affecting the American character have been religious."

As time passed the school took over more and more of this educational priority of the Church. Of late the substitution of research for teaching and the curious fetichism of the Ph. D. degree have led, Dr. Stephen Duggan contends, "to the decline in the prestige of the teacher," (see Bulletin of International Institute of Education, May, 1932), and universi-

ties have become vast educational department stores and even mail-order houses. Even so, however, they have in the lives of hundreds of thousands of our young people the place of supreme intellectual and moral and spiritual influence for the most determinative period of their lives, and what we ask is that they should use their influence not to tear down but to build up, not to destroy but to fulfill. If the faith of the fathers is a right and rational faith, we want it confirmed and strengthened in our children. It may need a better foundation and a truer alignment than it has received at our hands at home, but we want our schools and colleges to provide that better foundation and that truer alignment and not to disintegrate the faith.

2. The second thing that the Church needs from its schools and colleges is the development of Christian character in the men and women and boys and girls entrusted to them. There have been teachers who disavowed all such responsibility. Some years ago a professor in one of our best known universities declared before an association of colleges of the middle States: "It seems to me it must be recognized, not only by the university, but by the public, that the university is not responsible for the character, for the morals, the views, or anything else of the community or of its graduates. If its students turn out criminals and land in prison. it is not to blame. The university is not responsible for character." This is not our view, nor is it the general view of good teachers. Our view is the same in this regard as that of our Roman Catholic brethren. We differ from them in our conception of the relation of the Church and State and, accordingly, with respect to a common public school system and the relation of the Church to it, but we are at one with them in our conviction of the necessity of combining education and religion. Some twenty-five years ago Dr. Sweets printed in his section of your "Missionary Survey" an article written by the Rev. Morgan M. Shreedy and published in the report of the U.S. Commission of Education in 1903, which states our principles as well as his own: "The Catholic Church has always laid down this great and vital principle, viz., that secular and religious instruction shall never be parted in education. . . Education, it maintains, is the formation of the whole man-intellect, heart, will, character, mind and soul. . . The Catholic Church will accept as education nothing less than the formation of the whole man. It will not consent that its children shall be reared without a knowledge of their faith, or that education shall be so divorced that secular knowledge shall be made the subject of daily and earnest inculcation and that religion should be left out as an accident to be picked up when and as it may. . . To shut out religion from the school and keep it for the home and Church is logically to train up a generation which will consider religion good for home and Church but not for the practical business of daily life. Religion, in order to elevate a people, should inspire their daily conduct, rule their whole life, govern their rela-

# GETTING ACQUAINTED MINISTERS' ANNUITY FUND

#### 1. What is the Ministers' Annuity Fund?

A Christian, businesslike plan, adopted by our Church, for putting the work of caring for our retired ministers and missionaries on a dependable, economical and efficient basis.

#### 2. How will it work?

Each minister will regularly send as dues to the Louisville headquarters 2½% of the salary received, and his church will send a sum equal to 7½% of the salary paid.

#### 3. How can this amount properly support a minister when he retires?

In thirty-five years of service under the plan these accumulated payments will have so increased through compound interest as to enable him to retire on an annuity equal to half his average salary on which "dues" have been paid (with a minimum of \$600 and a maximum of \$2,000).

#### 4. Why is this plan not put into operation at once?

Because it will take time for the reserves to accumulate; those ministers who retire within a few years will not have enough laid up to provide for them.

#### 5. How will this be made up?

To piece out these deficient amounts, an "Accrued Liability Fund" of three million dollars is

needed, once for all, to cover the service already rendered and for which no provision has been made.

## 6. Why has not this three million dollars been raised?

The Committee had just started raising this sum in 1929-30 when the depression came along. However, wonderful progress has been made in the face of discouragement.

#### 7. Why talk about it now?

Because the need grows more urgent every year. Because the last General Assembly challenged every group in every church to get together and put the Fund across, once for all, during 1937.

## 8. What can an individual church member do about it?

Realize that he is as responsible as anybody else.

Get acquainted with the plan (as you are doing now), and talk it up.

Pray about it.

Make a gift and a pledge in 1937 according to his ability.

## 9. What are some of the reasons why our Church should have such a plan?

It is a contributory, reserve annuity plan, which the experience of twenty other Churches has demonstrated to be the most sure, adequate and satisfactory system.

It is built on sound, tested business and financial principles.

Government and industrial and educational corporations are providing old age pensions for their workers as a part of their social security programs, The Church is supposed to be a leader, not a laggard, in any good movement.

The servants of the Church are called away from all the sources of financial gain, and are not permitted to turn aside for money-making.

In this Plan the stronger churches share the burdens of the weaker churches.

The burden of caring for the disability or old age of the minister, or his family, is removed from the local church and becomes the responsibility of the entire Church.

## 10. Why cannot our ministers simply apply for government old age pensions?

The plan of the government does not include the servants of the Church—they are definitely excluded. The Government does not call on the Church to pay taxes—as on the corporations; nor does it require the ministers, or philanthropic workers to pay taxes to insure their pensions.

#### 11. Why should every member be interested in a fund for old preachers?

Because the plan will help not only the ministers, but the Church as a whole.

Because the plan solves a problem which has been before our Church since 1717.

Because young people and old are interested in social justice and in progressive movements.

Because the plan is right, and just, and wholly Christian.

#### 12. Why not wait until times are prosperous?

Because the future is too uncertain; the present is all we have.

Because the longer we wait the harder it will be; this is a good investment and will prove economical in the long run. Because it has often been seen that the more we give, the more we prosper.

Because to go ahead now will be a real adventure of faith; to succeed now will be a real victory.

Do not wait for others—others may wait for you.

This is the Church's UNFINISHED BUSINESS—should be completed now

#### The Urgency of Immediate Action

After declaring, "the time is now ripe for the completion of this UNFINISHED BUSINESS," and urging that "the way be cleared for the early and urgent prosecution of this objective in every church of this Assembly," the following resolution, brought in by the Stewardship Committee, was adopted by the 1937 General Assembly: "That with all possible emphasis the Assembly again calls upon the churches to bring to completion during this Church-year the Ministers' Annuity Fund, which, when established, will go a long way toward solving many of the most difficult problems of our Church."

"Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfil the law of Christ. Let him that is taught in the Word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things." Gal. 6.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF CHRISTIAN EDU-CATION AND MINISTERIAL RELIEF OF THE PRESEY-TERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, HENRY H. SWEETS, Secretary, 410 Urban Building, Louisville, Kentucky

## Preparing for the Finish

Presbyteries' Committees and the Committees in Local Churches on the Ministers' Annuity Fund are making careful plans to complete this unfinished business in the near future

A little folder, "Suggestions for Local Church Committees," may be had for the asking. Wherever these simple suggestions have been followed encouraging results have followed.

Let Presbyterians know the need of our Church and the \$3,000,000 fund will joyfully be provided.

Since April 1, 1937, the sum of \$1,274,965.97 in cash and pledges has reached the Louisville office. Total amount now in hand is \$1,923,661.49.
Make your Gift and your Pledge Now!

To help finish "Our Great Unfinished Task"-to pay our sacred debe

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1. My Gift, \$ ..... (Paid now), and

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In consideration of the subscription of others towards the \$3,000,000 fund authorized by the General Assembly and being raised by the Problyteian Church in the United States, to establish the Ministers' Annuity Fund to provide pensions for ministers and missionaries of the Presbyterian Church, I hereby subscribe and agree to any to Wm, H. Hooser, Treasurer of Ministers' Annuity Fund, the sum of

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A Cash Gift. A Pledge for three years. A Legacy in your will.

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#### Which Way Is Japan Going?

By the Rev. Cleland B. McAfee, D.D. Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions

N O one can observe the movement of the Japanese Empire without a certain sense of confusion. Which are the dominant movements? Are they the ones that tend toward a fuller understanding of the world's life and a richer participation in them? Or are those movements stronger which carry Japan into isolation and an outworn self-assertion?

To be sure, these questions could be asked about most nations, our own certainly. We have our currents and our counter-currents. They are even more difficult to analyze in our case than in that of Japan because our area is so much wider and our interests are so much more diversified. This fact constitutes both a difficulty and an opportunity for Japan. Its area, including Formosa, Chosen and Saghalien, is somewhat over 260,000 square miles. Great Britain, with similar inclusions, has sixty times this area, Russia thirty-two times, France eighteen times, and the United States fourteen and one-half times as much. Japan might frankly accept a place among the smaller nations, judged by its area. It has a sense of power and opportunity which forbids its doing so, and inclines it to attempt expansion or influence and consequent burden of government equal to the largest of the world's powers. Such national pride and self-assurance have both their value and their danger.

The actions of Japan can never be understood without fair consideration of the population problem which it faces, the most serious and difficult of any nation in the world. With a total area much less than that of any one of several states in our Union, there is a population equal to one-half the

population of this country, to be clothed, housed, fed and educated! Migration is virtually out of the question. Few areas in the world are open to the Japanese in any large numbers, and few climates are suited to them. There seems no solution except to industrialize the country, converting it into a factory land, making things wanted by the rest of the world. This requires a larger supply of raw material, coal, ore, than can be found in Japanese territory. But it requires even more an adequate and open world market for the (Continued on page 11)

#### White Fields

By Robert E. Speer, D.D. Senior Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions

WHATEVER limitations secularism and extreme nationalism have thrown around the Christian movement in countries like Russia, Turkey and Mexico, there are still missionary opportunities in other lands which, if not unlimited, are still so adequate and appealing that one can only wonder at the slowness of the Christian Church to improve the present hour.

Mission schools and colleges are still free to teach the Bible, to build character and to seek to win men and women to Christian faith and Christian service. Even where the central aim of persuading students openly to accept Christ and join themselves to His Church cannot be achieved, there are still great influences flowing out which make the spreading of Christian truth and the preaching of Christ's gospel to the people both easier and more fruitful. Dr. Jordan writes of this indirect fruitage of the American College in Teheran:

"The steadily increasing contribution of the alumni of the college to the development of the new national life of Persia becomes more impressive year by year. One alumnus—the only man who has been a member of every Majless (Congress) since the inception of constitutional government in 1907—continues to be one of the most influential men in the political and economic life of the country. Another alumnus for the past five years has been the youngest—though not the least influential—member of Majless. The acting Minister of Education, his first assistant, the working head of the medical school, the legal advisor of the Ministry, the Assistant Minister of Roads, the Assistant Minister of the Interior, the director of the mint, the financial controller of the new railroad, the superintendent of the rolling stock of the same, and

hundreds of others in govservice and every walk of life-physiteachers, cians. lawyers, merchants, manufacturers, bankers-are rendering notably faithful and efficient service to the country. is a great joy to us in the college to see how true our alumni are to the ideals of honesty, truthfulness and hard work which were held up to them in student days. It is often said by those in high places that the greatest failure of the Persians is that they do not know how to cooperate. Frequently we hear the remark: "No one in Persia knows how to cooperate except the young men who have been trained in the American College. means of football,

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#### EDITORIALS

Our World-Wide Witness

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volley hall, basket ball, and other group games, as well as hy class room instruction, our students have learned that cooperation is the only road to success."

In a recent report of Forman Christian College, the principal, Dr. S. K. Datta, writes:

"An important feature of the Punjab during the last thirty years is the large number of educational institutions founded by religious bodies. In both Sikh and Moslem institutions of higher education, a number of old Forman College students have found a sphere of work. At the present moment, the heads of both Khalsa Colleges in the Punjab are loyal Forman College graduates. A large number of old graduates is found in the Educational Department, Inspectorate, or as headmasters of government schools. The university professors of Persian and chemistry, the university reader in astronomy, are graduates of the college. During the present year, no less than four judges of the High Court were Forman College graduates. The president of the Punjab Legislative Assembly, the representative in the Assembly of the Indian Merchants Chamber of Madras, as well as the member for Cawnpore and the marshall of the House, are the old students of the college. Swami Ram Tirett and a Khalifa Kamaluddin have both left their mark as religious leaders on the Hindu and Moslem communities. Nor would this list be exhaustive if we were to omit mention of a number of Christian graduates who have given to the Church service and leadership both as pastors and laymen."

The central missionary business, however, is the simple and direct contact of Christian truth and life with men and women one by one. And the opportunities for this are not only undiminished, but ever expanding. One of the missionaries in Persia, the Rev. J. Mark Irwin, of Meshed, describes in a recent letter such an opportunity as this which came to him on a recent visit to Herat in Afghanistan. In calling on the governor, he had explained that since he was a missionary, he wondered if it might not be possible to obtain a visit with the leading Mohammedan ecclesiastics. The governor cordially arranged this, and Mr. Irwin writes:

"At ten o'clock we were taken to the government head-quarters, and there in a large room, seated around a great table, were some ten or more mullahs, leaders of Herat's Sunni Islam, together with the chief of Foreign Affairs and several other men. At first I drew a deep breath and thought, 'Now what shall I say?' After formal greetings, I said: 'Ferhaps you would like to know why I am a Christian?' They signified yes, and I said: 'First of all, of course, I was born into a Christian home. But while still a boy I knew little about Christ until I started to read the Gospels myself. Then I discovered that Jesus Himself said, "I am the Bread of Life: I am the Living Water. I am the Light of the world. I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. I am the Resurrection and the Life." Certainly they would agree that no man could live without these things.' To this they nodded assent, and I got to say further that since I had found Jesus as Saviour and Lord, there had been peace and joy and satisfaction in my life. There followed long dissertations from various ones of them, some of which I did not fully understand, for they used high-flown literary language, and there is considerable difference of word usage by the Afghans. I did know that they were explaining about the Koran and its translation into other tongues. They were also attempting to show and maintain that all the prophets became in reality all that Jesus claimed as to the way, the truth, water, life, etc. They said that of course there were some things that they did not believe about Jesus, for instance that He died and was raised again from the dead. I replied, 'Of course, every book must bear its own witness. And that we Christians believe Jesus did rise from the dead because of the witness of the Gospels and the Apostle Paul.' I told them what the Apostle Paul wrote in I Corinthians 15. Then I said, 'But not alone from this witness do we believe Jesus arose and is living. We have the witness of our own hearts, and the experience of the Holy Spirit, and His love

"I had carried with me in my pocket a copy of each of the Gospels, one of Acts, and a copy of the Psalms. I said to them, 'I have some copies of the "Engil" with me. Perhaps you would like to see them and have them.' They signified yes, and I drew from my pocket two of the Gospels. At which they said: 'And Luka, where is it?' I drew it forth. Then, 'And Yohanna, where is it?' So on, until I had given them all of them. The mushtihid raised them all in both hands to his forehead, and then sat there holding them with show of great reverence. Soon they were in the hands of the others and they were all looking at them, and reading them as the conversation continued."

The way is not open yet for the missionary occupation of Afghanistan, but there are other fields as great and wide open where the resources of the missions are woefully inadequate. In the country field of the Hwaiyuan Station in China, there are two church sessions at the Ken village and at Mengcheng. These two sessions have their own pastors, while evangelists from Hwaiyuan seek with them to cover the territory for which they are responsible, an area larger than the state of Connecticut, with a population of over two million. From all over China the testimony is uniform that the bitter anti-Christian feeling of a few years ago is gone, and that the hearts of the people are open as never in the past.

In Japan also a new sense of religious need has developed which is expressing itself in revival movements in the old religions. As the head of the Bureau of Religion in the Department of Education recently declared, "We are passing through a time of suffering and hardship, and at such a time the human heart turns to religion for comfort and guidance. There can be no doubt that the nation is once more turning its heart toward religion." And Mr. Yamamasu, an official of the Department of Education, representing the Minister of Education, declared at the recent annual meeting of the Church Federation in Japan, that "although the age of persecutions has passed for Christian evangelists, the day of difficulties has not passed." And he went on to point out as one of the great difficulties the vast need of Japan today for a new spirit of hope. "Our nationals are problem weary," he said. "Nothing can change this fatal psychology except religion. We must look to your religious work to instill a more wholesome and heartening spirit into our people. Unfortunately, although Japan is a land abounding in religions, the vital influence of these religions on the national life is less than is the case in some lands of the West. The government is helpless when it comes to changing the spirit and psychology of the people. You religionists should not wait and take the lead from the government, but lead out on your own initiative and in accordance with your own faith and convictions."

It is not possible to exaggerate the influence which the Christian missionary enterprise has exerted in its moral and social and political fruitage. But the center of its power is in its central evangelical message, and what is needed at home and abroad is a new flame of faith and love burning in Christian hearts, kindled by Him who is the Light of the world, and shining out from Him on the whole range of life the world around.

### THE VALLEY AT THE END OF LIFE'S PATH

By the Rev. George H. Turner

The valley, from afar, seemed whelmed in gloom. When nearer seen, the path traverses dark And sombrous shadows, where I, fearful, mark Veiled, awful figures lurking; and my doom. But One comes to me, saying, "Take my rod—My rod and staff will comfort while you go Through these dark shadows, where stark terrors show." I reach the hand of faith, and take—from God!

Then through the darksome shadows I advance, Fearing no evil, strong in faith and hope; Encouraged thus, with trust I brave the dread, Portentious presences, and, with faith's lance—With that tried rod and staff—will with them cope And safely pass the valley of the dead.

## History Congress Held at Ankara

R. ELEANOR I. BURNS, Vice-President of Istanbul Woman's College, writes concerning the History Congress at Ankara, the capital of Turkey.

Inspired by the genius of Mustapha Kemal, President of Turkey and under his leadership the Turkish History Research Commission gave its report at a History Congress held at Ankara in July. This Commission appointed by the Ghazi soon after the Kemalist movement in Turkey, has produced a four volume World History dealing with history from Prehistoric times down through Ancient and Medieval to Modern History, a book which for the first time views events from a Turkish point of view. The history presents as its main thesis, "The Turkish nation is not only a plane tree, but a nation with roots reaching down into the deep past." The Ottoman period is drawn to the background, considered a short period of temporary retardation, emphasis being put on the great age of the Turkish race, with a history reaching back to the beginning of the Aryan Race in its home in Central Asia. This emphasis on the exploits of the Turkish people in the past, their greatness, capacity and power gives a clear picture of what can be accomplished in the present and in the future. This dynamic is exactly what the Ghazi. Mustapha Kemal Pasha desires to produce, for to quote from an editorial in one of the leading Turkish papers, "The realism and positivism of the Ghazi forces him to link the past with the present and to challenge the nation to make the future equally glorious. The Ghazi observes history from the standpoint of the present, and according to the present, draws meaning from it. The consciousness of a great history gives life to the conviction that great things are possible in the future because they have marked the past."

Believing that this challenge for the future, is the real meaning of history the Ghazi has led in the preparation of this new history, and the next step was the use of the book as a text book in all schools. Therefore it was a natural move on the part of the Ministry of Education to state that henceforth all history was to be taught in Turkish, to Turkish citizens, these four volumes being used as the basic text.

Dr. Burns quotes from the daily Istanbul newspaper, "The findings of the congress are of great importance and the results can be considered from two points of view:

- 1. The complete change produced in the interpretation of Turkish History.
- 2. The establishment of a new theory which completely upsets existing ideas as to the role the Turkish

race has played in history and to the effect it had on world civilizations.

"Since history is the basis of national education, it is inevitable that it must be viewed with our own eyes. If Turkish History is not presented from such a national angle, we shall be deprived of a powerful dynamic in the creation of ideals that will motivate the youth of Republican Turkey."

"We know that some contemporary nations have exaggerated and altered the facts of history in order to idealize their country. Fortunately we have no need for such distortions or exaggerations, for all we need to do is simply pierce the curtain of ignorance, and let the real facts of our glorious past speak for themselves. For this reason we are sure we are not mistaken when we state that the greatest result of the History Congress is the change it has produced in our historical view-point."

"History, however, is a comparative study, and from this point of view also we do not need to be ashamed of the part we have played in comparison with other nations. The case we can present for the effect the Turkish race has had on world civilization is based on sound arguments, supported by statements of European scholars. According to this thesis the Turkish race is centuries older than any other race, and it is from its civilization that all other civilizations have sprung."



Roumanian Students at the Woman's College

#### New President of Athens College

Homer Woodhull Davis was appointed President of Athens College, Athens, Greece, by the Trustees of Athens College at the last annual meeting. Mr. Davis is a graduate of Hamilton College in 1916 and graduate student of the University of California. He received a Master's degree at Hamilton in 1930.

Mr. Davis spent five years in Istanbul—three as Instructor of English at Robert College and two years as Assistant Professor of English at the Istanbul Woman's College. In 1925 he became head of the English Department of Athens College; since 1927, Principal of the Preparatory Department, and Acting President since 1930.

The Choremi Assembly Hall, which completes the north wing of Benaki Hall, was finished in the early spring. It is a beautiful room, simple, dignified, constructed according to the plan designed by Mr. Costas Sgoutas. The main floor is furnished with three hundred and thirty auditorium seats imported from America, and lateral galleries provide seating capacity for two hundred and fifty. The carefully planned indirect lighting system is strikingly effective. The spacious stage providing excellent facilities for dramatic performances has been supplied with the most necessary equipment.

The fourth commencement was held in Choremi Hall which was dedicated on that occasion. The religious service was conducted by His Eminence, the Archbishop of Athens and of all Greece, assisted by the priest of the parish in which the College is located. Mr. Delta



Homer Woodhull Davis

announced the appointment of the President of the College, with the title in Greece of Director, and made the formal address of presentation of Choremi Hall. The marble dedicatory tablets, one bearing an inscription in Greek, the other opposite it in English, were then unveiled. The English inscription reads as follows: "To Honor the Memory of Emmanuel and Virginia Benaki, this Assembly Hall was erected by Constantine J. Choremi, 1932."



Mount Pentelicus viewed from Athens College

#### CURRENT TOPICS

#### Notes from the Turkish Press

The following is an important article by Yunus Nadi, the well-known editor of the daily *Jumhuriyet* at Istanbul, regarding the American Institutions in Turkey. It is well worth careful study:

#### FOREIGN SCHOOLS IN TURKEY

Jumhurivet, February 5, 1933.

"Our attitude regarding this question is definite: we have no objection to the continuation of the foreign schools or the opening of new ones provided they are not opposed to the secular principles of the Republic. We are inviting teachers from France for our lyéees at Galatasarai. Without hesitation we recognize that the opening of a secular lyéee where courses are offered in French will be a service to the country. Our conviction is the same with regard to schools that may be opened in English (British or American) or German languages. These special schools shall be controlled by the Ministry of Education, and follow to the letter the program prepared by it. Therefore, we cannot imagine any objection to the increase of such schools in our country.

"However, there is the question of the foreign schools in the country and this question is arising out of the activities of the

present foreign schools.

"Once in a while it is reported that in a certain foreign school, children have been taught religion, or that there has been a desire to do so. People do not cease talking about similar incidents occasionally. Our new regimé believes that secularism is the most modern principle, therefore, no matter how much we favour the foreign schools, we can never stand any movement that disturbs this principle of the régime. While in our own schools we are so attentively applying the principles of secularism, naturally it would be impossible for us to allow religious propaganda by the foreigners. This aspect of the problem is not a school concern. It is the question of keeping secularism on a safe ground. We were thinking that those foreign schools which remained in Turkey would have the courtesy and obligation to respect this principle.

"As a matter of fact, however, these schools have decided to follow one of two alternatives: either to teach religion or to leave the country. We would ask them to stay, conform themselves to the laws, regulations and traditions of the country, and continue their work. We would make this request especially to the leading institutions, Robert College and Girls' College at Constantinople.

Moslem world under the title of Tariq ul-Khalas. The previous year he had also put through another edition of August Hermann Francke's Prima Doctrina Christianae elementa, entitling it, Fatihat at-Ta'lim an-Nasrani for use among "certain Moslem nations." Then in 1735 he turned his attention to the Jews with another edition of Pocock's translation of Hugo de Groot's De Veritate Religionis Christianae, Book 5, thus having a companion volume to his 1731 treatise, only this time it was destined for use among Oriental Jews, but still in Arabic. Three years later again Callenberg reissued the third book of Thomas à Kempis' "Imitation of Christ," which had been translated by Thomas Haemmerlein after the edition by Coelestine. This was "in Arabicum sermonem," and ran to two hundred and sixteen pages.

It was not till after these endeavors to preach the Gospel along various lines by the printed page, controversial, doctrinal, devotional, instructional, that Dr. Callenberg devoted his attention, as we have seen, to the New Testament. Even then, however, he was not satisfied, for up till 1758 we find him editing or supervising the printing of books in Yiddish, Modern Greek, Dakhini or Western Hindi, (a "form of Urdu used by Mohammedans in the Deccan, and is spoken in Southern and Western India"), Persian, Syriac, and Nogai.

Perhaps this will give some idea of the extent of Dr. Callenberg's Literature Bureau. Most of his work was in the New Testament, chiefly the Gospels, though for the Moslems using Dakhini he supervised the printing of the Psalter, Daniel (including the apocryphal chapters) and the early chapters of Genesis. The main point is his interest in Islam, and the intense conviction that literature was a good missionary. Other lessons to be learned from his career will probably present themselves to those who have scanned the foregoing pages, and we will content ourselves with the quotation, O si sic omnes.<sup>1</sup>

Oxford, England

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<sup>1(</sup>The above information has been obtained from the Catalogue of Printed Bibles of the British and Foreign Bible Society and certain works of Dr. Callenberg in the Bodleian).

institutions in Turkey has been ambiguous in the past. Is it not surprising that a country like America, which is called the New World, and counted as one of the most progressive and democratic countries, should attach a religious character and purpose to its philanthropic institutions in Turkey? This is one of the things that

is most puzzling to us.

"In the period of the Sultans in all parts of Turkey there were adherents of other religions than Islam. The Americans won converts to their religion of Protestantism from these non-Moslem elements. American benefactors must have thought of gaining the keys to paradise by the conversion of Armenians and Greeks to Protestantism! Among the documents discovered at the closed college of Merzifoun, there are evidences which indicate that these American missionaries have examined and studied the question of winning the Moslems to the Christian religion. These missionaries have seen that it is difficult to convert Moslems to Christianity, but not impossible! They have seen that the work will require long time and effort.

"Moreover, we are sorry to say that it is a historical fact that the education of the American institutions has played some part in the development of animosity between the Greeks and Armenians on the one hand, and the Turks on the other, which has led to

such disastrous ends.

"Our aim in mentioning these things is simply to illuminate

the path in the future.

"Robert College, the Girls' College, Smyrna College, in short all the American institutions in Turkey can carry on only by putting aside all these secret purposes and by working only for the purpose

of pure education in a country whose policy is secularism.

"The administration of the two great American schools has lately been entrusted to Dr. Monroe, whose experience in knowledge, virtue, and scholarship is well known not only in America but the entire world. It is very desirable that these schools, with accelerated power under this respectable personality, should identify themselves with the new requirements of Turkey and follow a pure objective. We can expect this position from the great ability and virtue of Dr. Monroe.

"It is not our business to tell the way in which this position should be secured. In the first place this idea must be accepted, and secondly, the factors for the application of the idea must be willingly and sincerely put into practice. Naturally this requires the clearing up of the institutions from some elements whose mentality has

been evident from the experience of the past.

"We are not setting forward these thoughts in favour of or in opposition to anyone. Perhaps our primary concern is the honour and peace of the American institutions of culture in Turkey; and our secondary interest, the advancement of relations between the Americans and the Turks."

#### DESIRE FOR STUDY IS GROWING

Jumhuriyet, January 3, 1933.

"The primary education curriculum of the ministry has been carried on with perfect success in Constantinople. So far as

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primary education is concerned Constantinople has reached the standard which is to be desired for all other towns. While the number of the children of the primary schools was thirty thousand, as a result of great efforts the number has risen now to 58,000 in the Turkish schools only. When to this number is added those who attended foreign schools and minority schools also, it is estimated that the children in the primary schools constitute 10% of the population of the city.

<sup>2</sup>In the time of the Constitutional government only five primary school buildings had been built, whereas in the time of the Republican government 59 such school buildings have been constructed.

"It has been observed that many poor children are attending school from morning until noon, or from noon until evening, and selling

papers during the rest of the time to earn their living.

"The municipality will open at Galata a home for the neglected children and in a few years all those children who are of primary school age living in Constantinople and spending their time in shops from morning until evening will be compelled to go to school by police force."

#### WHAT GAZI HAS DONE FOR CHILDHOOD

January 10, 1933

"During the last ten years the Turkish Association for the Protection of Children under the patronage of Gazi Pasha has served children in 480 centers of the country in the following ways:

It has taken 11,803 children under its care.

It has given milk to 72.475 children.

It has distributed shoes to 174,149 children.

It has bought caps for 7,385 children.

It has supplied 14,303 children with school articles. 149.137 children have been given medical treatment.

5,071 children have been helped in cash.

34,503 children have enjoyed baths. 263 children have been circumcized.

1,512 childbirths have been attended by midwives.

5,456 children have been located in schools and other institutions. 52,622 children have received help in various other ways. The total of those who have received aid one way or the other 600,580."

#### OUR LANGUAGE IS TURKISH, OUR RELIGION IS TURKISH

Jumhuriyet, January 2, 1933

According to the Pentateuch, Yahwe is the God of the children of Israel only. All the prophets of the children of Israel have

thought in this way, and supported this cause.

"The great Mohammed did not apprehend God in the narrow Jewish way. That is why Allah is the Lord of all. And on this ground I doubt whether such a verse as, 'I sent you my commandments in Arabic so that you may understand them,' has originally come from Mohammed. Otherwise it would be necessary to admit that the Quran and Islam are for the Arabs only.

"I recognize Islam as the universal religion. On this ground I am convinced that the Quran must be translated into the languages

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come hate with positive goodness. Religious and civil liberties are sacred. Whenever intolerance, gossip mongers, peddlers of suspicion rear their ugly heads, we must keep our balance, never join the mob. The rights of the individual must be protected. There are capable arms of the local and federal governments assigned to that job. Hysteria has no place in the pulpit or pew.

Spiritual challenge, fellowship and comfort, a place of refuge for all sincere people, is what our Church must be if we are to be true. We must respect the honesty of

everyone until proven otherwise.

The pulpit must not become a war drum. We get that from every paper, magazine, radio and rostrum. Of course we expect to hear officially about the great work and needs of the church, the boards, the seminaries, the work of chaplains and those in the defense industrial areas, and the challenging opportunities and requirements of the Presbyterian World Emergency Fund and related enterprises.

People go to church, in the main, for recreation of spiritual power, for companionship with congenial people, for service in worthy enterprises. Please give us this help, in plain, simple terms, honestly expressed and backed up by righteous, balanced living. Many come hoping that they will be invited from the pulpit or in person to join this fellowship, but go away hungry for no one has hinted to them that they might be accepted or that the church needs them. A public invitation should be made in some manner at every regular worship service.

The leadership of the church in today's crisis is needed in a unique manner, perhaps greater than ever before, because we are in war against un-Christian opponents of tremendous power. The tendency is that the one side will be drawn down to the level of the other. "You cannot keep one man down without staying in the ditch with him" said Booker T. Washington and that may be as true in this war as in the slavery of another sort.

#### ROBERT E. SPEER, Lakeland, Conn. Secretary-Emeritus, Board of Foreign Missions Ex-Moderator, General Assembly

What is the *duty* of the *Church* in the present crisis?

1. To proclaim the law of righteousness and justice as binding on nations as well as individuals.

2. To discountenance all compromise with evil and all appeasement of wrong doers.

3. To discourage all vain boasting and foolish predictions.

4. To continue to proclaim human unity and to denounce all denial of it, by false nationalism and racialism.

5. To bind our own people together in unity and concord, to condemn all selfish exploitation in the interest of any class or group, to continue to call for the substitution of cooperation for conflict in industry and all of life.

6. To foster indomitable resolution in the nation to find an end to the evil forces which are destroying peace and brotherhood and to secure and guarantee a just and enduring settlement of the present issue for all mankind.

7. To keep the spirit of our people clean and true, free of all vindictiveness and hate except against falsehood and cruelty.

8. To lead the nation to put its trust in God, to seek to know and to do right as His will, and to preach Christ faithfully as first the King of Righteousness and after that King of Peace.

#### JOHN TIMOTHY STONE, Chicago President-Emeritus, Presbyterian Seminary Ex-Moderator, General Assembly

The duty of the Church just now in my judgment is to stand unitedly and openly for the great spiritual truth of liberty of conscience and freedom of conviction as evidenced so clearly in the teaching of Jesus Christ and His followers.

Our very faith is solely threatened in the wicked affrontery of men of the stamp of the dictators. Their perfidy and flagrant falsity and hypocrisy demand the language first expressed in the sentence of "the whited sepulchre." But without personal bitterness or hatred we should now preach as never before the saving personal power of the Christ and that only in Him can Christian character live and grow.

The world does not need religion so much as a personal faith of men in a ruling and victorious Christ, and that He can now meet the problems of the suffering world

with His message of peace and good will.

#### CHARLES J. TURCK, St. Paul President, Macalester College

The minister in time of war as in time of peace must preach the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In my judgment, this includes the attempt to set forth principles of that Gospel in their application to the moral, social, economic, national and international problems of our time. The greatest of these problems is the present world war. On this issue as on all others, the minister should speak in good conscience, but he should seek all the enlightenment that the experience of the past, the history of the development of human society, and a reasonable expectation of the probable outcomes of this war can bring him.

I have never been a pacifist, because having been trained in the law, I know the part that force has played in the development of society. When force is attached to law, nearly all men find it good. Unfortunately in the field of international relations, we have no prevailing system of law to which force can be attached. I most earnestly desire that some system of world-wide law will be established to which force can be attached, and that force will have the same approval of Christian men and women as we give now to our police or to any disciplinary authority. Until that system is set up, as it may well be after the triumph of Britain and America in this war, our nation must use the instruments of war to defend itself and to make possible this new free world wherein justice can be administered according to an enforcible system of international law.

Pacifists in the pulpit who ignore these elementary principles of human society and preach doctrines that logically justify anarchy should weigh the harm they do the Christian Church. They remove it as a source of immediate strength and practical guidance to men and women facing the fearful sacrifices of war, and they change it into a place of unrealistic philosophy quite

different from the historic attitude of the Presbyterian Church and of Presbyterian men and women. I do not question the duty of the pacifist to preach the Gospel if his conscience dictates and his intelligence authorizes him to do so. I do urge him to reconsider his position in the light of facts which he could not have contemplated when he made his first pacifist declaration. In days of security, the preservation of that security in peace seems a worthy and practicable ambition. In days of strife, that ambition may imply the surrender of some things more precious than peace, justice and mercy and integrity.

To wage war in defense of these qualities has always been regarded as a Christian purpose. If the Church abandon that view now, who will strengthen those who at the risk of life itself fight to keep justice above injustice, mercy above cruelty and integrity above dishonor? Let those ministers also speak in good conscience who are the servants of righteousness and who understand that peace is a consequence and not a cause.

#### JOSEPH A. VANCE, Detroit Pastor-Emeritus, First Church Ex-Moderator, General Assembly

The "Duty of the Church in the Present Crisis" is to furnish Christian man power to make it another chapter in the victorious on-going of His Kingdom of righteousness and peace and love.

To this end, it must fasten the eyes of men on Christ's face and turn their ears to His address.

The church must demand absolute surrender of self and substance to His cause.

It must steady the fearful with His "Fear not, little flock; it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom."

It must support the "powers that be" as ordained of God for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.

But amid all strife and confusion, it must proclaim "the goodness" of a Redeemer who can change tyrants into benefactors and lust for power into love for the lost.

The church must help in every way possible to beat Hitler and Mussolini and Japan in fighting; and when they have been beaten, never to curse the world again with their cruel lust for power, the church must show the conquerors how to make a peace under the leadership of that Prince of Peace who was heralded of Bethlehem by the Christmas angels.

#### E. GRAHAM WILSON, New York Secretary, Board of National Missions

The duty of the Church in the present crisis is the same as it has been in every age—to proclaim Christ as the way of life and as the Saviour and Lord of life. The Church should be concerned primarily with spiritual truths and forces. In these days men and women will need spiritual reinforcement, and they will look to the pulpits of our nation for that underginding.

The Church cannot bless the war. It cannot call it holy for war is never holy. It is a manifestation of sin. One cannot reconcile war with the teachings of Christ. So the Church should not become a recruiting station for the agencies of force.

The Church should strive to maintain unbroken the Christian fellowship of all believers. All may not agree in their attitudes and responsibilities toward the present crisis but there must be a real fellowship of all Christians for we are all members of the Body of Christ. In this Body are those among the nations with which we are at war. For them we should pray and think of them in love.

The Church in the present crisis should present a practical service to those in need. We cannot live in ease and plenty while millions around the world are suffering and keep our religion. The Church will be challenged to service as never before and our pulpits should call the people to give of themselves and their means to the point of real sacrifice.

The duty of the Church is to keep clear the eternal things—God, truth, purity and love. War is temporal—God is eternal. The ways of men will pass—the realities of the spiritual life will abide forever. The supreme responsibility and opportunity of the Christian minister in the present crisis is to help men and women to "see the stars which were here before the storm and will be here after."

#### CHARLES F. WISHART, Wooster, Ohio President, College of Wooster Ex-Moderator, General Assembly

We are in the midst of a cosmic storm, and it will do very little good for the pulpit to debate questions of theoretical pacifism or to continue discussion of outworn subjects like isolationism. I consider that the Church should bring a message of hope to deeply discouraged people; preach immortality in a world where so many boys are going down to death; preach repentance for national and individual sins; endeavor to safeguard the people from the spirit of hate; and prepare the minds of men for a better world that I still believe lies ahead. With nearly four-fifths of the human race now united in military cooperation, it is not too much to believe that, after the storm is over, these peoples, taught by the tragic lessons of the past, will somehow get together to make a recurrence of these tragedies impossible. Whether by the League of Nations, by Mr. Streit's "Union Now," or in some modified form of these projects, it is my fervent hope that there may ultimately be a closer union of peoples dedicated to freedom and the right of men to live decent lives, undisturbed and unmolested. We must first preach the immortal assurance for the individual, and then the Kingdom of God that lies ahead for human society.

"We think we must climb to a certain height of goodness before we can reach God. But He says not 'At the end of the way you may find me'; He says 'I am the Way; I am the road under your feet, the road that begins just as low down as you happen to be.' If we are in a hole the Way begins in the hole. The moment we turn to walk in the Way, we are walking in God. The moment we set our face in the same direction as His, we are walking with God."—Helen Wodehouse.



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